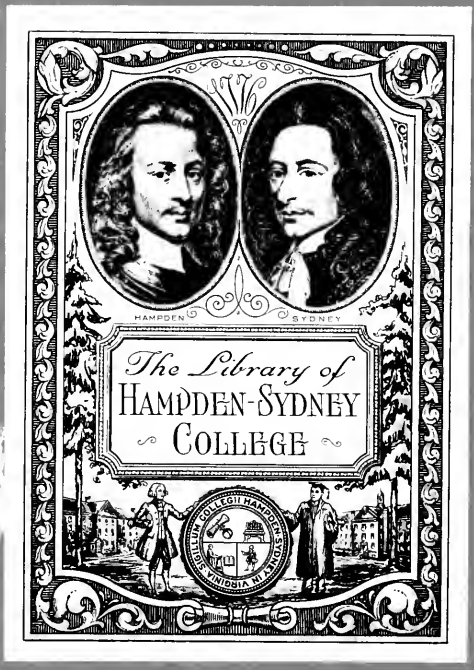
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Editorial Comment

THE practice which obtains in so many institutions of granting honorary degrees more or less promiscuously is to be deplored. The custom of awarding honorary degrees is an ancient one and it seems that this is a proper method of recognizing distinguished service in different fields and we find no fault with the principle. However, such degrees should be conferred with discrimination, both on account of the recipient and on account of the institution which confers them. If it is to be worth while to the recipient, he should know that he is one of a selected few receiving this honor. On the other hand, if the institution is to have honor reflected on it by conferring such a degree on one who has distinguished himself, that honor is appreciably lessened if others of little merit have had the same or similar honors conferred on them. It would be difficult to establish any hard and inflexible standard but, at the same time, a man's attainments to justify an honorary degree should be outstanding and not merely local. Scholarship should be the foundation of all such degrees though, of course, a man might, for example, distinguish himself in the scientific field to such an extent as to merit the degree of Doctor of Science, even though his general scholarship was not noteworthy. The commonest abuse of the conferring of honorary degrees is in that of the degree of D. D. Oftimes there seems to be a feeling that because a minister has served faithfully that he is entitled to this reward for his faithfulness. Certainly faithfulness is highly to be commended, but the question naturally arises as to whether that in itself and alone should merit the kind of reward which the degree of D. D. carries with it. This degree should mean, in addition to scholarship, outstanding achievement in the pulpit, on the lecture platform, or in writing.

In other words, if an institution claims that it's academic degrees are only attained by the satisfactory completion of the prescribed courses provided in the curriculum, it should exercise the same care in awarding its honorary degrees, because the standing of the institution is affected in either case. There has always been accorded to the University of Virginia unusual respect in that it is among the few institutions which in no event will grant an honorary degree. The only degrees which it grants are those which have been earned by work done within its own walls.

It is gratifying that Hampden-Sydney is more careful and circumspect than it has at times been in the past in granting such degrees and that when such a degree is granted one may be satisfied that it is well deserved, brings honor to the recipient, which honor is likewise reflected on the College.

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WITH three hundred students enrolled within the first week of the present session, the College starts out with by far its largest attendance in its entire history. In fact, its accomodations, both as to dormitory and classrooms, are taxed to capacity and it has been necessary to turn away a number of applicants. This is conclusive evidence that the College is a vigorous, going concern. As the alumni have been heretofore apprised, the General Board of Education has given the College yet another extension in order to raise the sum sufficient to meet its conditional gift of $100,000.00, this extension being to December 31, 1931. The amount necessary to be raised to meet this condition, while considerable from one standpoint, is relatively small. It behooves the alumni and friends of the College to make a final effort to see that the necessary balance is forthcoming, so that the conditional gift from the General Education Board may be secured.

HOME-COMING DAY is fixed for October 24th, when the annual game between Roanoke College and Hampden-Sydney will be played on Venable Athletic Field, better known as Death Valley. This occasion has become a great event and from year to year the number of returning alumni is increased. It is the best opportunity for old men returning to meet their former college mates and, learning this, many are making it an annual affair. In order to insure meeting old friends here it would be well

to drop a line to some old classmate you would like to meet and tell him to make his plans to join you here on the Twenty-Fourth of October.

THE RECORD learns with regret of the resignation from the Board of Trustees of Dr. F. T. McFaden, of Winchester, J. Scott Parrish, of Richmond, and Judge Asa D. Watkins, of Farmville. Each of these men has served on the Board for many years with marked interest and efficiency. They have given of their time unsparingly and the service which they have rendered would be difficult to calculate. Such service is, in the nature of things, more or less intangible and difficult to measure but we know that they have given true service and, for that service, the editors of THE RECORD express their appreciation and at the same time desire these gentlemen to know how much it is regretted that they felt impelled to sever their connections with the Board of Trustees.

From the Dean's Office

FOR the first time in the history of the College, so far as anyone knows, students were turned away because no more could be cared for.

Two hundred and seventy-five was the number wanted on the basis of the College budget. Two hundred and eighty were hoped for as allowing a margin for comfort and safety. A week before College opened, with three hundred students in sight, all applicants were being rejected. The number might very probably have been carried to three hundred and twenty-five. All of this in spite of the fact that the entrance requirements, the tightest in the state, were rigidly enforced.

The Freshman Class is large, of course, being made up of one hundred and sixteen new students and twelve reclassified students. A class of this size calls for at least six sections of English and Mathematics, and seven would be much better. The strain put upon the faculty by all these sections and additional sections in other courses made necessary the checking of the enrollment.

The number of students transferred to the upper classes from other institutions has not averaged three a year in the past. So far there have been seven transfers admitted to the Sophomore Class, and four to the Junior Class.

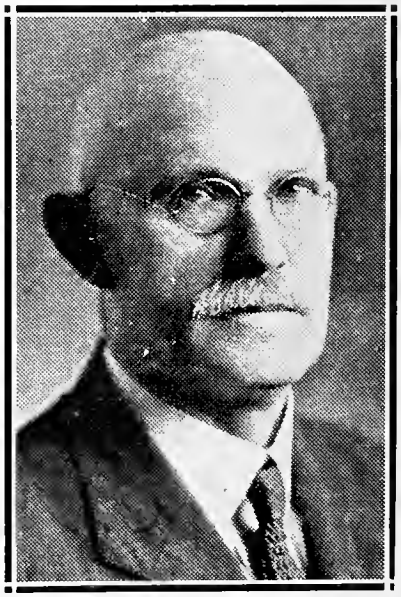
The return of the old students must have been above the average. More than eighty per cent. of those in attendance at the end of last session (seniors excepted) are back. While no such percentages have been kept for comparison this is undoubtedly high.

The great majority are from Virginia, as usual. West Virginia is next, also as usual, Charleston alone sending twenty-two. The rest are distributed from Arizona to New Jersey, and from Florida to New York.

Retiring from Board of Trustees

J. Scott Parrish, Richmond, Va., who retires from the Board of Trustees after a quarter-century of service

Dr. F. T. McFaden, of Winchester, Va., a member of the Board of Trustees since 1894



Judge A. D. Watkins, of Farmville, Va., who has been on the Board of Trustees for thirty-five years

Some Account of the Athletic Fields at Hampden-Sydney

By ROBERT K. BROCK

INTERCOLLEGIATE athletics were unknown at Hampden-Sydney until about the year 1892 when a game of baseball was played with the University of Virginia, resulting in a score of 9 to 7 in favor of the visitors. This was the day when the McFarland Brothers, A. D. and H. J., constituted the battery, A. D. McFarland, being the pitcher and he was, perhaps, the greatest pitcher who ever wore a Hampden-Sydney uniform. He subsequently went into the Southern League, which in those days was next in rank to the National League—the American League not then having been formed—and he made a wonderful record. Later he became an umpire in the National League and is now a lawyer in Covington, Ky.

Prior to the advent of intercollegiate athletics, when masks and mitts were unknown, the playing field was located on the campus between the east end of Cushing Hall and the present highway, though the highway is now somewhat closer to the dormitory than in those early days. The batter's box was close to the east end of the dormitory and a little to the south, and center field was in the direction of the present athletic field. A ball knocked over the roadway almost invariably resulted in a home run. In those days J. W. S. Rhea, who afterwards founded a fine boys school at Memphis, Tennessee, was the captain of the team and the majority of the contests were confined to games with the Seminary students, then located over in what is now known as Venable Hall, and a team from Farmville. A bitter rivalry always existed between the Farmville boys and the Hampden-Sydney students and the old hostility so long proverbial between the town boys and students who came from other places obtained to a marked degree and lasted for many years. Even after intercollegiate athletics came into vogue, the visitors could always count on unanimous support from Farmville. It would come and root viciously and vociferously for the visitors. Happily, all of that feeling has passed and Farmville regards Hampden-Sydney's teams as its own and gives them unstinted support. Sometime in about 1891 or 1892, the athletic field was moved out in the direction of Mercy Seat Church, on the highway leading towards Charlotte, and a part of the garden of the Misses Venable was then embraced in the field, which lay next to the roadway. There a grand stand was erected and it was on this field that the historic baseball game between the University of Virginia and Hampden-Sydney was played. At this time, the teams were not above importing players for special games and on this occasion the McFarland Brothers brought in an older brother who was a professional and played shortstop but made no pretense of matriculating at college. They also secured another man and with this combination, played a number of games away from college. It was on this field also that the first intercollegiate football game was played with Richmond College, now the University of Richmond, the team having been captained by W. F. Bull, now a missionary to Korea, who was the founder of football at Hampden-Sydney. This resulted in an overwhelming defeat for the home team at the hands of the Richmond team, the score being something like 30 to 0. Before intercollegiate football, the Rugby game was played and was confined to picked up teams, class games and an occasional game with the Seminary students.

A few years later this field was abandoned and a new one was chosen some four or five hundred yards to the east of the one abandoned. The field was smoothed and graded and several important contests were held there but it was rather too far from the College, and Major Richard M. Venable, the greatest individual benefactor the College has ever had and one of its distinguished alumni, conceived the idea of making the present athletic field. At that time all this area was in a sodden condition, covered with alder bushes and bull rushes and was about as unpromising as one could well conceive of as viewed from the roadway. This place was cleaned up and tile laid over a great portion of the field, and after a few years became a very excellent gridiron and diamond. Considerable work has been done to it since, and its location is really admirable, presenting as it does a natural amphitheatre. This field was named for Major Richard Venable and its proper name is Venable Athletic Field, though it is widely known as Death Valley. The writer does not recall just the date at which this field was constructed but it must have been in the early '90's, because it was certainly in use when he was a student at Hampden-Sydney.

The present field, though well planned by nature, needs still more attention from the hand of man. Further grading, shaping up and extension, with a modest stadium, or equivalent, to seat one thousand to fifteen hundred, would go a long way toward meeting all requirements. This should be no great amphitheatre with tier on tier of concrete seats climbing high into the air, but something more complete and convenient than we now have and in harmony with the rest of the place and its traditions.

It would be interesting for some man more familiar with the history of athletics to write an account of some of the stirring games which have taken place on this field during the years since it has been used for baseball and football, but that is left for another, more fitted and better informed. It is simply my purpose to make this brief outline of the history of the athletic fields at Hampden-Sydney and their development.

Address to the Students at Opening of the Session

By HERBERT W. JACKSON

ONE evening recently, coming east on Monument Avenue, in Richmond, we could see General Lee's statue against the horizon and the gentleman in the car beside me tipped his hat and said, "I always feel like taking off my hat in the presence of that statue."

When you enter a church, alone, no one else present, you remove your hat?

When visitors enter that historic room in Philadelphia where the Declaration of Independence was signed they instinctively take off their hats.

That same kind of feeling possessed me this morning when, for the first time, I entered this hall.

I believe it is generally acknowledged that Hampden-Sydney's record for turning out hundred point men is unsurpassed. It is inspiring, therefore, in this hall, to contemplate that for seven generations young men have come to this campus to be taught and have gone forth into life and made good. What is the secret for this? I'll tell you what it is—a little later on.

One of your distinguished alumni, who has since crossed over the river, told me of his school days here. Among other things, he related that there were three great men in the faculty of the Seminary, each a minister, who alternately preached on Sundays in the College church. The students had great respect for their learning and piety, but one was more popular among the boys because, he did not *often* preach over one hour and a half! He followed by saying—"All I have accomplished in life I attribute to the discipline and training received at Hampden-Sydney!"

Herbert W. Jackson

A tree is known by its fruits; Hampden-Sydney has stood for more than a century and a half as a monarch in the forest among educational institutions. Its roots are traced to the prerevolutionary era, when James Madison and Patrick Henry, and like illustrious men, planted the acorn here which has grown to be a great and sturdy oak.

I have been reading about Hampden-Sydney and find in the Revolutionary War it was the only college in America to send organized troops to uphold the hands of Washington—under Captain John Blair Smith! Is there a tablet here to commemorate that fact?

In the war for the freedom of the seas in 1812 Hampden-Sydney youths, as a student company, volunteered and were lead by John R. Kirkpatrick.

In the Civil War, when Virginia took her stand, students from this institution immediately volunteered and their number, added to its alumni, furnished 247 officers and 500 non-commissioned officers and privates to the Confederate Army.

The beautiful memorial gate out yonder is a silent tribute to the 400 sons of Hampden-Sydney who responded to the call of another Virginia President, when Woodrow Wilson summoned this country to take up arms against autocracy. Great Record! Can't be matched.

Hampden-Sydney was not founded, however, to train men for war, but for the arts of peace. The sons of this College were bred into opposition to any invasion of civil rights and independence and the right to worship God as conscience dictated. Whenever any of these were threatened the sons of Hampden-Sydney have promptly donned the khaki and taken up their guns—be it said to their honor.

It is in the arena of government and in religion and education where Hampden-Sydney men have made their largest contribution. The story of Virginia, and indeed of the national government, would lack much of its glory if the deeds of men trained here were omitted. It is impressive to read of the presidents, governors, judges, both state or federal, senators, congressmen and eminent lawyers and physicians, who have gone forth from these walls.

A history of the Presbyterian Church in this commonwealth would be like the play of Hamlet with the Danish Prince left out, if the names of great preachers and great laymen educated here were not inscribed high on the records.

And the learned professions and commerce and manufacturing, have been helped by the high standards which have characterized Hampden-Sydney men.

In every line of endeavor their ability and character have been manifested.

Its past is safe and distinguished; its present honorable and useful; and its future is bright with the sure promise of greater achievement and distinction.

Thank God, then, I say to you young gentlemen, for the privilege given you to be educated in this environment.

It is an opportunity, you have, and at the same time a responsibility on your shoulders, to uphold the traditions

of Hampden-Sydney—It's up to you to exert everything in you to make good!

Speaking of hundred point men, which Hampden-Sydney makes a specialty of turning out, reminds me of the following: A party wired a cashier of a bank in a distant town, inquiring as to the standing of a certain party. The answer came back: "He is a hundred point man in every way and in anything he undertakes". The man who received that wire laid it on his desk and dreamed about it that night and in talking with a friend the next day he showed him the telegram and said, "I would rather have that said of me than anything that could be said".

Let me give you some of the traits of a hundred point man, as I have observed them!

He is *prompt* in his dealings, and promptness is one of the cardinal virtues. He carries as his slogan "do it now". There is a legend that once the devil tried to win men by telling them "there is no heaven", and a few came over to his side. Then he tried, "there is no punishment hereafter", and he won a few more. But finally he whispered, "there is no hurry", and thousands were won.

Some years back William Rockefeller died, full of years and dollars. One newspaper account of him said his motto for success was "don't write, go", which is only a three-word way of saying don't put the matter off even to the slowness of a letter.

A hundred point man is true to every trust. He keeps his word and is *loyal* to the firm he works for, does not look for slights or listen out for insults. He's kind, obliging and, note this, please, he is considerate of the man under him, and considerate also of his servants and his caddy. These hundred point men vary in ability, of course, but this is always true—they are *safe* men to deal with, and when you strike one, whether he drives a dray or serves as a nightwatchman, clerk, cashier or president of a railroad, you can always count on him. In his make-up there is a moral fibre which is better than any kind of mental attainment or cleverness and, in the span of life, moral qualities count for most.

Indeed, the most powerful things in the world are unseen; the silent forces are the greatest. For example, the influence of a good man.

A hundred point man guards his credit; is punctual in meeting an obligation. Credit is a priceless asset in commercial life and equally so to the professional man, clerk and mechanic.

The man who has made up his mind to make good will guard as one of his most valued assets, his credit.

My observation has been that ninety-five per cent. of these hundred point men are religious men. It is worth while to make a mental note of that fact.

At church, Sunday, a friend, noting I would be here to-day, asked it I would comment on the present economic depression—well, it seems that every one who now makes an address anywhere dwells on that subject and usually offers a remedy.

All I will say on that subject is my belief that what we need to-day, perhaps more than any other one thing, is to call back Benjamin Franklin and reread and *adopt* Poor Richard's sound philosophy.

One biographer of the great printer-statesman called him the "First Civilized American"; one of the wisest.

By enterprise, thrift and saving he lifted himself from penury to plenty. One thing he continually hammered, namely, the value of hard work. It has educational and disciplinary value as well as pecuniary reward.

I have often remarked, and will now repeat—a young man of character, if possessed of ingrained integrity, who has good ordinary sense, who will *work*—you can't beat him, especially if he invokes the help of the Unseen Hand.

I commend to all Poor Richard's maxims. This generation is inclined to rate them too low. They inculcate living within one's income and strict honesty, which Franklin said should be adopted as a policy, though he also held it to be a principle. He illustrated the virtue of fidelity to every private and public trust.

Some one may be inclined to say, "this is old stuff". Certainly it is "old stuff". Very old, but the solid virtues are all old and apply as well to the year 1931 as they did in the year one.

I speak of them because our present troubles have been largely due to the fact that we have sought soft substitutes for solid fundamentals.

Playing the stock market; get rich quick methods; that is not the route.

In all its one hundred and fifty-five years of ever increasing usefulness, Hampden-Sydney has had as its distinguishing trait that here *character* was moulded as education was imparted.

That is the secret of Hampden-Sydney's great record.

It is because these essentials became flesh and blood in its alumni that a larger percentage of its graduates are in *Who's Who* than any other college in America.

It has built upon a rock, the rock of character, culture and christianity.

A college thus built cannot be moved. This is equally true of a commonwealth or a nation, or an individual.

The evil forces which now threaten to undermine the old landmarks will be driven out by the adoption and practice of the virtues for which Hampden-Sydney has been noted in its long history.

Better days are ahead. They cannot be summoned by any arts of the magician. They only wait upon the practice of the sound principle of Poor Richard, the patriotism of Patrick Henry and the wise counsel of James Madison; the trinity of great men upon whose teaching the best things in America rest to-day, as they have rested in the past, and as they will rest for all the better days that lie ahead of us.

SOCIAL

By ASA D. WATKINS

WEDDINGS! Professor Herman Bell set a good example to the left wing of the faculty by quietly terminating a long and quiet courtship, by quietly taking unto himself a bride after we had all deserted the campus, by quietly speeding her off to Europe and quietly sending his confreres a picture post card from Berlin, Edinburg or Pisa which was quietly though firmly stated in terms of the editorial *we;* then he quietly appeared at the student reception that marked the College opening and quietly presented to the filing ranks of "Tigers"—Mrs. Bell! Now, who could beat that? Mrs. Bell is Florence, the daughter of the late Robert B. Crallé (town manager of Farmville) and of Mrs. Eva W. Crallé; sister of R. B. Crallé, Jr. (class of '27); possessor of the lovely voice we have heard often in Farmville Music Festas, and a welcomed addition to The Hill.

Following Professor Bell's example this summer came a train of benedicts: Richard Gaffin, '29, Howard Gilmer, '28, Ridley Alexander, '27, Watkins Lacy, '20, Booker Carter, '30, Frank Costenbader, '27, Joe Bradshaw, '32. See what a strong influence has the faculty! Watch your step, young instructors—but be sure you take it.

During the summer came visitors to The Hill: Dr. and Mrs. Edgar Gammon, of Charlotte, N. C., the Reverend and Mrs. Eastman of California; Mrs. Alexander McKelway, of Washington; Doctor and Mrs. James Graham, of Tsing-Kiang-pu, China; Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hall Davis, of Anderson, Indiana; Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Boaz and Miss Boaz from Fort Worth, Texas; Mrs. William P. Dupuy and Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Beverley, of Winchester; Mr. and Mrs. E. Lawrence Dupuy, of Halifax, Virginia.

The Bittingers

AS mentioned elsewhere in this issue, Rev. J. B. Bittinger, D. D., 1883, because of ill-health has resigned his charge and will take a rest for a year. By the end of that time it is hoped that he may be able to resume work. Four sons of Dr. Bittinger are alumni of Hampden-Sydney College.

The eldest, Dr. Samuel Moffett Bittinger, 1917, after leaving College studied medicine at George Washington University and graduated with high standing in his class and was appointed interne in the Hospital of that medical school. Then he was appointed on the medical staff of the Hospital at Fort McHenry as a heart and chest specialist. Later he was employed in the North Carolina Health Service and became resident physician, medical director, assistant superintendent (and assistant surgeon) in the State Tuberculosis Hospital at Sanatorium, N. C. In December, 1930, Dr. Bittinger was elected Fellow of the American College of Physicians. "*Time*", of April 6, 1930, in commenting on this says! "It is difficult for a doctor to get into the American College of Physicians, of 157,906 licensed doctors in the United States . . only 2,300 hold membership in the College of Physicians." Dr. Bittinger's writings and addresses on the subject of Tuberculosis and its treatment was the basis upon which he was elected to this distinguished group. Mrs. Bittinger was formerly Miss Louise Holmes, of Wilmington, N. C.

The second son of this Hampden-Sydney family is Rev. John B. Bittinger, Jr. A student for a time of Carson-Newman College in Tennessee, he graduated at Hampden-Sydney in 1921 and at Union Theological Seminary in Richmond. For a time he was assistant pastor of the Old Stone Church, Lewisburg, W. Va. For some years he has had a charge in Mississippi.

The next son, Morris Henry Bittinger, B. A., 1924 of Hampden-Sydney, and M. A. of the University of Virginia, graduate student there in history and medalist in the department, has taught in the Greenbrier Military School in West Virginia and in the Blackstone Military Academy, Virginia. During a leave of absence granted Professor F. H. Hart, Mr. Bittinger filled his chair at Hampden-Sydney very successfully. Last year—and he will return the coming session—he taught history in the Blake School in Minnesota. Of the twenty-four men whom he sent up for the New England College entrance examinations every one passed in history—an unusual record.

The "Benjamin" of the family, Charles Lewis Bittinger, received his B. A. degree at Hampden-Sydney in 1928; taught two years in the University School, Nashville, Tennessee, of which Dr. C. B. Wallace, 1880, is principal; and returned to College in the fall of 1930 to prepare for entrance to medical school, receiving the B. S. degree in 1931. He has been awarded a scholarship at the University of Virginia and will pursue his medical studies there during the session 1931-32.

Our Chapter of the Sigma Chi Fraternity Revived

IN spite of the fact that the General Alumni Association declined to endorse the petition of the local Phi Sigma Epsilon, the efforts of many friends enabled the petitioners to carry their point, and the general Convention of the Sigma Chi Fraternity, in Cincinnati, decided that the old charter of the chapter at Hampden-Sydney was still in force. The Chapter has been revived, therefore, much to the delight of these who realize what this Fraternity has meant to the College in the past and how important it is, as regards reputation and prestige, that the College should maintain as many of the old organizations as possible and that old traditions and atmosphere should survive. The following statement from the pen of Mr. Alexander F. Hudgins, of the *News-Leader* gives some interesting facts as to the Fraternity and its membership among the alumni of Hampden-Sydney:

Hampden-Sydney students and many alumni have heard with pleasure the announcement of the revival of Sigma Sigma Chapter of Sigma Chi here through the absorption of the Phi Sigma Epsilon local, a ceremony which is to take place on December 4th and 5th with Dr. Daniel Laurence, Vice President of the University of Cincinnati and Grand Consul of Sigma Chi, as the installation officer.

The announcement came following the Fortieth Grand Chapter meeting which was held last June in Cincinnati. Among those responsible for the revival are Dr. John Diell Blanton, Hampden-Sydney, '79, now President of Ward-Belmont College; E. Lee Trinkle, Hampden-Sydney, '96, Ex-Governor of Virginia and now Vice President of the Shenandoah Life Insurance Company; Dr. Clyde F. Ross, Roanoke, '03, Past Grand Praetor of Sigma Chi; Dr. O. B. Darden, Duke, '12, Chapter Adviser for Sigma Sigma; Hamilton Douglas, Jr., Vanderbilt, '08, Atlanta attorney; Ray D. Williams, Hampden-Sydney, '29; and Alexander F. Hudgins, Hampden-Sydney, '28.

Sigma Chis throughout the country rallied to the support of the petitioners when word was spread that a revival would be sought. Special interest was taken by Sigma Sigma alumni, members of the Beta Chi Chapter at Emory University, Georgia, and members of the Richmond alumni chapter.

Sigma Sigma was founded at Hampden-Sydney on January 1, 1872, but became inactive on June 1, 1902, after thirty years of illustrious history, during which time it initiated men who have become prominent in both state and national affairs.

The Sigma Sigma Chapter initiated 105 members, fifty-nine of whom are still living. It has had one Virginia governor, one mayor (of Norfolk City), one brigadier-general in the United States Army, six educators (four of whom are college presidents), thirteen attorneys (two of whom are judges), fourteen physicians, one coal operator, one newspaper publisher and twenty-five ministers.

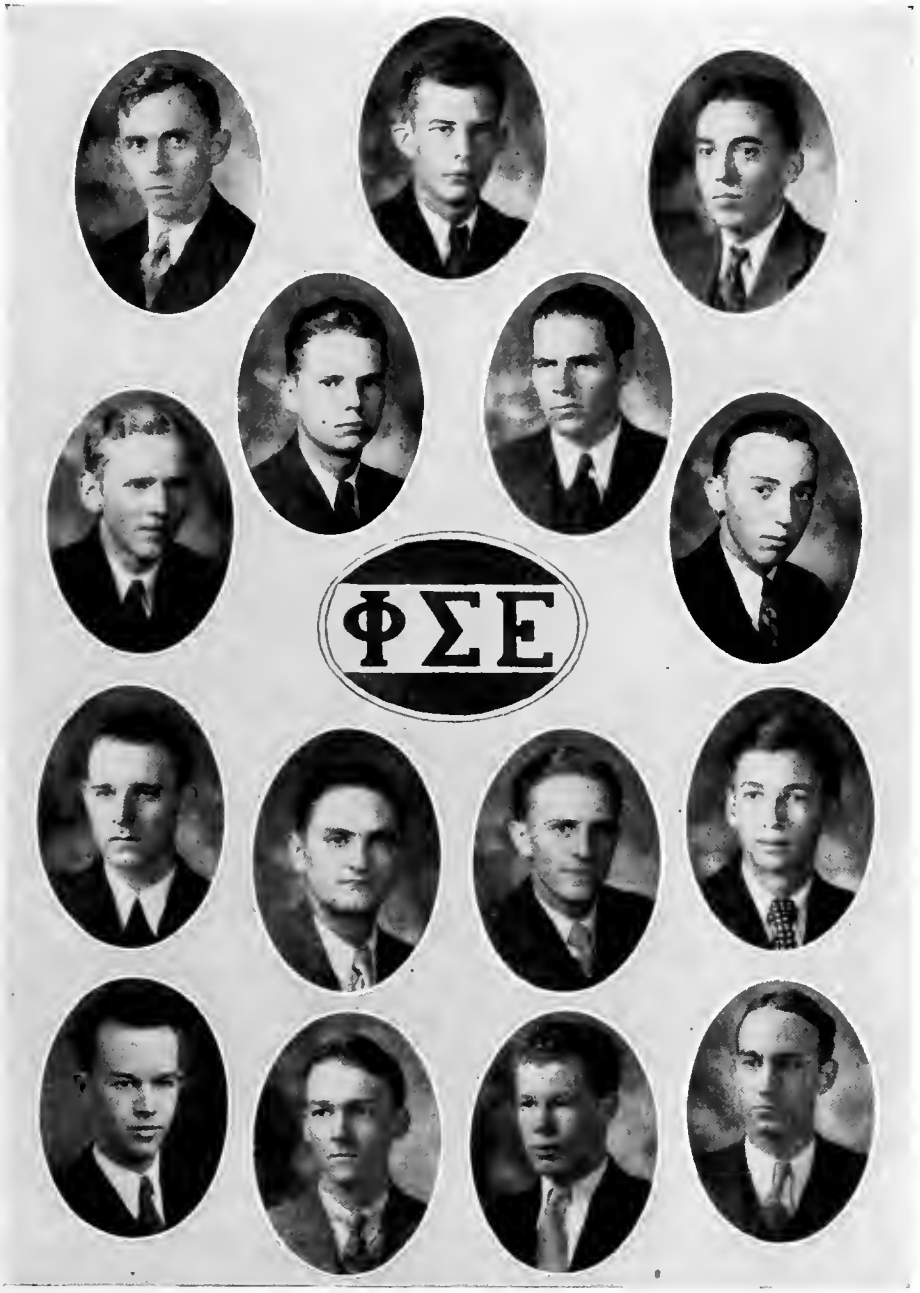
The active chapters of the social organization number ninety-two. Sigma Chi has nineteen inactive chapters, seventy-eight alumni chapters and eleven alumni associations seeking alumni chapter charters.

Phi Sigma Epsilon local, whose membership will be initiated into Sigma Chi, was founded at Hampden-Sydney on November 6, 1926. It has forty-five members, among whom are the following:

Dr. D. Maurice Allan, Dr. D. Branch Armistead, Dr. Herman Bell, Howard C. Cobbs, Rev. Thomas Cunningham Cook, Horace H. Custis, Jr., Emmett R. Elliott, Richard B. Gaffin, Robert C. Gallager, John M. Hamlet, Bryant R. Harper, Rev. Tilden A. Harrison, Jr., Robert W. Harwell, Marshall F. Hayden, Alexander F. Hudgins, Frederick A. Hyde, Thomas F. Johnson, Bernard H. Jones, T. O. Keesee, William E. Knight, Cecil D. Kutz, J. Robert Laird, S. Taylor Martin, J. William McClintic, Robert I. Morgan, Robert R. Neely, Rev. Julian T. Owen, John Burr Piggott, H. Alfred Prillaman, Phillip T. Rochelle, Jack S. Shackleton, T. P. Shelburne, Alfred H. Stuart, C. Finley Talbot, H. Rogers Thomas, J. Holmes Thomas, Charles E. Troland, Aubrey O. Ward, J. Mebane Ward, Hugh L. C. Wilkerson, Leonidas Williams, Ray D. Williams, R. Marshall Wilson, Jack Withrow and L. Q. Yowell.

Illustrious alumni of the Sigma Sigma Chapter include Dr. John Diell Blanton, Dr. George H. Denny, Rev. Algernon Sidney Doak, Judge Daniel Grinnan, Judge William Clarke Herndon, Dr. William Davis Hooper, Dr. William Richardson Houston, Dr. Paulus Aemilius Irving, the late Brigadier-General John Thornton Knight, Rev. John Sprole Lyons, Dr. J. Layton Mauze, the late Dr. Walter William Moore, Dr. James Morrison, Rev. Matthew B. Porter, Dr. Holcombe McGavock Robertson, Rev. Egbert W. Smith, Dr. J. Leighton Stuart, E. Lee Trinkle and Mayor S. Heth Tyler, of Norfolk.

1930-1931 Chapter of Phi Sigma Epsilon which will soon be Sigma Sigma Chapter (revived) of Sigma Chi Fraternity at Hampden-Sydney College



The New Executive Committee

THE new Executive Committee which has been created by the recent amendment to the Alumni Association's Constitution, consists of the following alumni:

Wyndham B. Blanton, '10, Richmond, Va.
W. Twyman Williams, '04, Hampden-Sydney, Va.
Thomas J. McIlwaine, '14, Farmville, Va.
J. Marion Stratton, '09, Lewisburg, W. Va.
Frank S. Johns, '08, Richmond, Va.
Frank C. Bedinger, '05, Boydton, Va.
W. M. Kemper, '01, Danville, Va.
Frank C. Brown, '09, Charleston, W. Va.
P. Tulane Atkinson, '07, Hampden-Sydney, Va.
J. William Dunnington, '12, Farmville, Va.
Harold J. Dudley, '25, Lynchburg, Va.
W. Bruce Buford, '00, Roanoke, Va.
Edwin C. Wade, '07, Bluefield, W. Va.
William F. Spotswood, '94, Petersburg, Va.
W. W. Martin, '09, Richmond, Va.

This Committee will hold its initial meeting on Home-Coming Day, October 24th.

Library Receives Gift from Mrs. Sullivan and Her Son

Miss Emma Venable, Librarian, has received three large and handsome pictures from Mrs. Algernon Sydney Sullivan and her son, Mr. George H. Sullivan, of New York City. The pictures are handsomely framed and are as follows: "The Aurora" by Guido; Titian's "Feast of Venus"; and a modern Color Print of a variety of Fruit, massed on a Stone Piazza. The first picture is a photograph, taken in Italy and acquired by Mr. Algernon Sydney Sullivan in 1870. His wife and son present this in memory of him. The second gift is a beautiful etching showing the vale of a forest swarming with cupids and the third picture presents an interesting study in the arrangement of shadows and contrasting colors.

This gift adds beauty to the Library and is greatly appreciated.

Professor William Mynn Thornton

At the Commencement in June it was announced at the University of Virginia that Professor Thornton had resigned. About a year ago, he submitted to a serious operation and since that time had not been able to meet his classes. He became a member of the Faculty of the University in 1875 and thus had served for fifty-six years.

After his graduation at Hampden-Sydney, in 1868, he took graduate work at the University for two years, then taught at Davidson College and elsewhere until he was chosen to assist Col. Charles S. Venable, the department of applied mathematics being assigned to him.

Professor Thornton held the position of Chairman of the Faculty 1888–1896. In 1904, he was made dean of the department of Engineering, holding this position for twenty-one years until the weight of years induced him to ask to be relieved of the duties of dean. He will now hold the title of Emeritus professor of applied mathematics.

I. Q.'s and Other Cues

By D. MAURICE ALLAN

THE Hampden-Sydney student body is a veritable gold mine of information, if not for the ever-saddened faculty, at least for the diligent user of the statistical pick and shovel. Last year's Freshman Class was not only one of the most intelligent in many years, as previously reported, but a recent comparison of their curve of distribution of intelligence with that of five thousand students in twenty colleges scattered over the country shows a distinct advantage for Hampden-Sydney in the much smaller proportion of low grade intelligence among our freshmen. Among the ninety new men tested last year, the ministers' sons ranked first in intelligence scores, educators' sons second and the sons of business executives third, closely followed by lawyers' sons. When we compare the ministeral band with the student body, we find their median intelligence score to be three points higher than the general run of students and the twenty-five percentile point to be ten points higher, due to a clustering of high score men among the "preachers". This looks good for the future of the ministry. Morons are conspicuous for their absence among our athletes also, with last year's first string football players averaging eight points above the student body average and letter men in other sports showing a similar advantage. Among all groups of campus leaders, debaters and writers ranked highest. Of all tests yet applied, Hampden-Sydney men rank lowest in musical ability (as judged by the Seashore Tests), but in spite of that we boast a first rate Glee Club and "The Garnet and the Gray" is still music in the ears of returning alumni.

Botanical Collection Given to College

By H. B. OVERCASH

The College and Department of Biology are richer as the result of the interest on the part of one of its alumni, Mr. Edgar W. Venable, Class of 1891, Aurum, Nevada, who this summer has sent a collection of plant life from the sections where he spent a number of years as a mining engineer.

This collection represents months of continued interest in collecting and difficulty in handling. Mr. C. R. Townsend, Manager of the Farm Bureau, Ely, Nevada, was kind enough to work with Mr. Venable in the preparation of these mounts and in their identification.

Of interest to most of us are the sages (Artemedia); the bud sage (A. spinosa); black sage (A. tridentata); curly sage (A. nova); also the greasewood (Sarcobalus); the Indian paint brush (Castilleja); the blue loco (Asbrajalus); the Mexican screw bean (Prosopis); the creosote bush (Covillea); the junipers of Utah and Nevada; and other plants characteristic of that region.

This collection will prove a valuable asset to the Department and be of interest to others.

We wish to express our deep appreciation to both Mr. Venable and Mr. Townsend.

Length of Service

By DR. J. D. EGGLESTON

A LETTER from President Franklin W. Johnson, of Colby College, Waterville, Maine, states that Professor Julian B. Taylor, of their faculty, has just retired (July 1, 1931) after sixty-three years of continuous service as a teacher of Latin.

President Johnson wishes to know whether this record is surpassed or approached by other professors in this country.

We have some good records in this respect here at Hampden-Sydney, but nothing to equal the record of Professor Taylor. He must have been blessed with an iron constitution. Dr. Walter Blair taught Latin at Hampden-Sydney thirty-five years, and was a tutor in the Hampden-Sydney Academy for one year prior to his professorship in the College. Professor Lewis L. Holladay also taught in the Academy and was then Professor of Science for thirty-six years.

Professor James Riddle Thornton was for many years principal of Prince Edward Academy; was professor of Latin at Central University, Kentucky, for two years, and then filled the Chair of Mathematics at Hampden-Sydney College for twenty-eight years.

Dr. William H. Whiting, Jr., taught five years at Prince Edward Academy, two years in the University School at Nashville, Tennessee, then taught fifteen years at Clay Hill Academy, and became professor of Latin at Hampden-Sydney in 1902. He has, therefore, occupied the Chair of Latin for twenty-nine years, but with the great background of teaching before coming here. Incidentally, it may be said that during his incumbency at Hampden-Sydney he has taught Latin, Greek, Spanish, German, Mathematics and History.

Dr. J. H. C. Bagby was an assistant at the University of Virginia a year or two before taking his several degrees there. He then taught two years in the University School, Nashville, Tennessee, and became professor of Physical Science, which included Physics, Chemistry and Astronomy, in 1892. In 1900 he became professor of Physics. He is therefore in his fortieth year of teaching at Hampden-Sydney.

Love for Southside Virginia

In a letter to Miss Emma C. Venable, Ex-Senator William Cabell Bruce, of Baltimore, Maryland, in speaking of Hampden-Sydney College, says:

"No one in the United States, I imagine, derived more pleasure from the triumph that the College scored in that "Who's Who" competition. The truth is that I love Southside Virginia with a passionate, inextinguishable attachment, and ascribe to the spirit of its people all the success that I have been fortunate enough to achieve in life."

Senator Bruce is a native of Charlotte County, Virginia, having lived during his youth and early manhood at "Staunton Hill", where he was born. He is a brother of Dr. Philip Alexander Bruce.

Among the Alumni

Letters from Alumni

PERSONAL RECOLLECTIONS OF HAMPDEN-SYDNEY COLLEGE GROUNDS AS I RECOLLECT THEM IN 1823

[EDITOR'S NOTE: *Writer unknown but thought to be Dr. George W. Dame, 1829*]

The Library was a frame building about 20 x 40 feet, two and one-half stories high, standing on a brick foundation, of three feet. The lower story had been the room in which the chemical and philosophical apparatus was kept, and was the President's lecture and class room. The second story had been the recitation room of the other teachers and there was also a small room on the same floor in which there were a few books and which gave the name Library to the building. A half story was above these rooms which the Philanthropic Society had used as their hall. This was the case before I came to the College. The center and east wing of the new building having been completed in the summer of 1822 was entered and occupied on the first of October, a change in these things took place and the lower room of the Library Building was the seniors' room for the lectures on mental and moral sciences and other studies of that class, and the second story was used by Professor Marsh for his language classes. Professor Marsh having been elected President of Burlington University in Vermont, his successor had his recitation room in the new building. After Professor McVicar was married he occupied the two lower stories with his family; while I occupied the third story—the old Philanthropic Hall from 1826 for a number of years. It was a very unsafe building and on the night of one of the heaviest storms which we ever felt while I lived in that country, I was satisfied from its rocking that it would fall. Having no chance for escape I prepared myself for the issue by rolling myself up with the bed and the cover.

The old president's house was a frame building 20 x 50 feet and one and one-half stories in height. It was this building in which the Rev. Dr. Moses Hoge, the President of the College, began his theological school probably teaching and boarding those students at his own expense. They occupied one room in the attic which was also their recitation room. On one occasion during a terrible storm, the two students in Theology there at this time were lying on their bed and, becoming alarmed, left their bed, and before they had well reached the lower floor, the lightning passed through the bed where they had been lying and set it on fire. Had the young men remained in their recumbent position a moment longer, both doubtless would have been killed.

I knew the venerable widow of Dr. Hoge very well, seeing her almost every year until the time of her death which, I think, was about the year 1845. She often related incidents of the earlier days of the College and during the life time of her husband who died while in attendance on the sessions of the General Assembly in Philadelphia in 1820. One of them which she mentioned to show the ground of her strong attachment to President Cushing, I will mention. Some of the young men who were students in Theology and to whom the Doctor gave board and tuition seemed not to know how to behave to a lady. President Cushing, who was the main teacher in the College Department, boarded with them. On several occasions one of these young men was very rude to Mrs. Hoge at the table. On one occasion he was insulting and she arose and left the table in tears. Dr. Hoge was so meek and forgiving that he was not honest to his wife and thus did not resent this conduct. But Mr. Cushing did. He left the table and went out of the house and when that young man came out Mr. Cushing collared him and told him if he ever again hurt Mrs. Hoge's feelings, he would give him such a thrashing that he would never forget it. Mrs. Hoge said that from that time forth, she was always treated with high respect—that though they did not fear the gentle Dr. Hoge—there was a friend of Mrs. Hoge at the table that would see that she was respected. Mrs. Hoge said that ever after she loved Mr. Cushing and loved me for his sake.

Among other little incidents which she related of the early days of the College there was one in reference to discipline. She said when a young man was suspended the choice was offered him, the

whip or home. She mentioned one case of two young suspended students to whom the offer was made. After a while allowed for decision, one replied home; the other I want an education and this is my only chance. The marks of the whip will soon disappear, but the marks of ignorance never will. I will take the whip. The former never occupied any place in the community; the latter became an eminent and honored son of the state. I have now forgotten their names.

The eastern half of the kitchen house is entitled to a place in the sketch of these early times. It was the whole seminary building in the childhood of that institution. When, in 1825, I think, Rev. Dr. John H. Rice went to the College Hill to prepare for opening the seminary, there was no house to be had at all suitable for the purpose—in fact no house at all. President Cushing told him he would give him his own (President's) rather than he should be without a place for his work and they would live together in close quarters until he could build a brick office for himself and me. The offer was accepted and thus arrangements were made by Dr. Rice for his Theological School. That half of the kitchen was the virtual seminary building by day and the room of Mr. T. P. Hunt and myself when not occupied by Dr. Rice. Mr. Hunt boarded with us at Dr. Rice's table and was one full of humor and a great friend of children. He sometimes played tricks on older men. One morning Dr. Rice received a catalogue from the seminary at Princeton. I think on it was a request that Dr. Rice should send one of his infant school. There were but three students and Dr. Rice asked Mr. Hunt to make out the catalogue handsomely that he might reply. At dinner Mr. Hunt told the Doctor that the work was finished and presented it to him, saying that nine was a very good number for the infant school.

"But," said the Doctor, "how can you say nine when there are but three?"

If you will look at the catalogue you will find them and that of course must be regarded as right. Each of the three had a double name; E. P. Hunt, I. I. Royal and W. S. White, and Mr. Hunt made good use of the fact, making each Christian name a surname, e. g., E. P. Hunt, H. P. Porgen and H. T. Thomas. And this was the first catalogue. It amused Dr. Alexander and he wrote a handsome reply

After Mr. Hunt was ordained he was sent, I think, to Brunswick. The next year he came on a visit to Dr. Rice, having a very pleasant and fine looking wife. At table Mrs. Rice asked Mr. Hunt how he managed to get such a noble looking wife. (Mr. Hunt was a low, humpback man and not personally prepossing to a young lady occupying the position in society which it was evident this young lady had, though in other respects he was attractive.)

Mr. Hunt replied: "It was no management of mine, but that of my session."

"How was that?" asked Dr. Rice.

Mr. Hunt replied: "I had a nice parsonage all to myself, but had no companion—felt the need of one when I came home from my visiting and during the dark days and cold nights of winter. I felt if I had some one to cheer me up and encourage me I could do more work and have more comfort and felt satisfied that a wife was a necessity. But to get one I did not know how. There were quite a number of lovely young ladies in the congregation, but I did not know how to select, and if I chose one I did not know how to court her, and I did not think a minister could afford to be rejected by a member of his own church. While thinking of this matter, I had occasion to look at the letter of my call and found, after stating the salary, the session would pay and the parsonage, it also said that whatever was needed to furnish the parsonage more fully for use and comfort should be supplied as soon as it can be done after notice. The case was at once settled."

LETTER FROM LEWIS W. RIESS, NATIONAL PHYSICAL Y. M. C. A. SECRETARY FOR GREECE

MR. ROBERT K. BROCK,
Farmville, Virginia, U. S. A.

Athens, Greece,
August 16, 1931.

DEAR BOB:

You have surely wished a tough assignment on me—to write one thousand to one thousand two hundred words for THE RECORD, when the sun is sending its rays down and giving forth heat like the crater of Vesuvius. However, I cannot say "no," for it might cause you to think that I didn't want to write you something about my Odyssey. So here goes, with the understanding that you are to edit this epistle. I haven't the time to think straight and I haven't the zipp to reëdit this letter which is written in haste, owing to a busy week which stares me in the face.

Where to begin is a problem. Since leaving the dear old Hill, I have wandered, married, brought children into the world and goodness knows where I am going to end. However, it is well to start with my appearance in Europe for home news is, or would be, old stuff. With this introduction I will give a brief sketch—very brief—of my Ulyssee—and journey.

Back in the days of armies, I landed in Paris—Gay Paree—where the frivolous battles were fought. After fighting the "Battle of Paris" for a short time, I moved up in Coblenz and here I was stationed for three and a half years. Almost a quartette of years, but what years! The Rhineland is one of the garden spots of the world and there is no river like it. One cannot blame the Germans for loving their wild rushing stream, bedecked with its romantic castles, its legend, its vine-clad hills, and classic towns. It was a marvelous experience and while enjoying the beauties of that land, we did manage to put on one of the finest pieces of physical education work that has happened in any army. I do not say this out of conceit, but if that noble old southern gentleman had not passed away last year (General Henry T. Allen) he would substantiate what I said. We had everything that a college has, and then some, for I helped build polo fields and golf links, so with the finest athletic field in Germany (not counting stadiums), we had everything in the line of sports a person would want; for instance, twenty-three tennis courts, four swimming pools, and even therapy establishments. As for games, I doubt if you can think of a pastime which we did not encourage. Our program included everything from Irish hand ball to American football and boxing. I managed to stick to the old game which I handled when in college, for there wasn't a football game played that I did not officiate in, and as for boxing! Well, Tex Rickard was just a little above me; he handled millions in dollars, I only handled millions in paper marks. Outside of that we put on more glove-fests than did Tex.

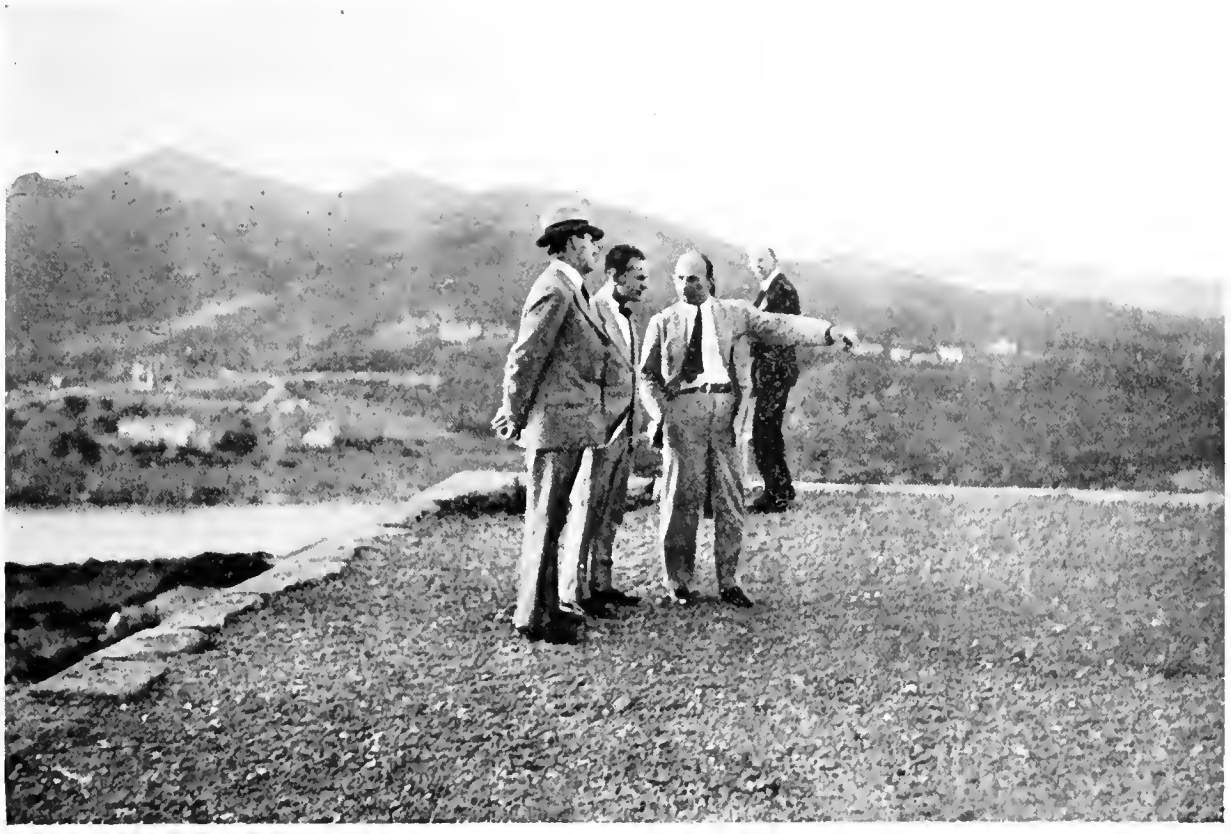
Our life in the Rhineland was not one of idleness, even though we did manage to dash off to other regions and give the once-over to Europe. There was life there; there was activity, and I believe that the American Army left a deep impression on the home-loving German people. The old idea and bunk about their being Huns was squelched. Any people who love their children, their homes and their land like they do are far from being the atrocious humans some folks pictured them.

One would think I am writing an essay in the defense of Germany, but I simply wanted to state that the Fritzes were not as bad as painted. It was a glorious time in the Rhineland and as the American soldiers use to say, just before they got word they were going to leave: "Why don't they start another war, so we can remain." Memories will always be fresh regarding the glorious days in the old Moselle Valley.

After dashing from Germany I went to Czecho-Slovakia. Here it was my boy was born, so Czechy holds me in its grasp. I traveled up and down that land until I know it better than any state back home. It is a glorious country. The people are the hustlers of Europe and what an interesting study of minorities; the Jews in the toe of the shoe-like state, living as in Moses' day; the Slovaks and Hungarians down in the southeastern end and then the Germans and Czechs in the west. They have a marvelous president in Masaryk and he has been fair to all races. Our program there was one which covered the country like a blanket. I lived there long enough to see many buildings go up for the "Y," and I helped in spreading the American games and helped in establishing organized camps which have set the pace until to-day the little Republic has more than any country on this side. Three years in the land of Hus, Comenius and then down to where Socrates, Plato, Euripides, Desmosthenes, Pericles and others gave forth to the world the classics and a language which has made many a lad stay up at night and sip coca-colas and coffee in order that he might pass in his Iliad, even though in two years he might forget it.

I have been in Greece six years. I can almost speak enough to say "veeta" instead of, as our boys back home do, "beeta." It has been a great experience and while this little land has gone through some terrible times, she makes less fuss than those countries which have not been hit as hard. Imagine the states absorbing twenty million refugees? Wouldn't there be a howl? Well, comparatively speaking, that is what the Greeks did after the Smyrna disaster. The influx of these Greeks from Asia Minor has made Greece more homogenuous than it has ever been. In ancient days they were not, for one state was parking its soldiers outside the gates of the other states under any sort of a pretense. Greece *is* Greek to-day and there is no question about it. They have gone through some terrible times, but they are up and smiling. There are many poor people, to be sure, but they are the most hospitable poor people in the world. Venizelos is a great statesman and Greece is getting ahead. Only one who has lived here for five or more years can understand what marvelous changes have taken place. I can't go into details, for I believe my "ballyhoo" letter has gone over the one thousand two hundred words now and I have not started.

As for our work here; we are putting up the finest all-round building to be found anywhere, in the States or in Europe. It will



Lew Riess, '11, Pointing Out Temple Dionysus to Members of Carnegie Peace Commission

be worth 750,000 real American dollars and will be ready the first of the year. It is located in Saloniki. Athens, we hope, will get a building soon. The people and church are behind us and as for the Government, they are one hundred per cent. strong with us. It is a joy to work over here with these folks. Of course, the heat and the strange working hours hit us, for when one is used to eating supper at 6:00 P. M. at the old stand at home and then comes over here and eats at 10:00 P. M., it is a little hard, but then one does get acclimated. Our work is with the army, sport clubs and, of course, our own membership. I feel that we have contributed something to the physical work here for I have been given two medals; the Merit Army medal and the Order of Phoenix, second class. I have also been consulted on many things by governmental officials, so life is not so dull. We have splendid camps, so all in all we are happy.

Now as to family: I have three kiddies—Lois, born in Virginia; Leighton, born in Prague, and Gordon, born in Greece. A league of nations in the making. My little wife, whom you folks did not know, is just as sweet as when I met her, so with that quartette around a man what more could he wish, especially if he has a home like I have, overlooking the mountains of Macedonia in the front and the marvelous gulf of Saloniki in the rear of the house and Olympus, the seat of the gods, ever before, or I should say, behind us? We have had a marvelous experience. My daughter, fourteen years old, speaks, writes and reads Greek, German, French and English. She spoke, but has forgotten, Czech. Leighton, seven years old, manages in the four languages. Gordon is only coming into his Greek as he is only three. Dorothy speaks three languages, while I navigate a bit in four. We have a delightful social life in Saloniki, so with about eighty Americans and British about, life is "not so worse." The schools are good. We have spent the last three summers in France, in the Jura Mountains. This summer my family is in Pyrgos, living in a tower built nine hundred years ago. Life has its changes and so with this outburst, which I do hope you will edit, I will close. I hope to see you all in 1932, *if* the depression does not linger around. God bless you all. I think of you often and feel I could jump right back into the old coaching game now and not be off the road. I keep up with things just as much as if I were home. Yours, LEW.

P. S.: I almost forgot to say (in thinking of the old days) that some of the boys in College now will think I am an old man. Just think, it is almost twenty-one years since I left the sacred precincts of Hampden-Sydney—a time which is quite distant and is a period which covers the age of most of the present students in College. However, don't let anyone fool you on that end of the proposition. I still manage to play basket ball, hand ball, volley ball and other games and would indulge in baseball but it is not participated in over here. I do play some of the "rougher" games as bridge and backgammon, with a bracer of golf once in a while, so while my head looks like a skinned diamond with a grass outfield, nevertheless, in spite of the years which have passed into the void, I manage to get along without crutches.

Tempus does fugit, but the boys to me still are, as they were in the days of '08 and '10, Yank, Lem, Toots, Wally, Yegg, Dick, Tubby, Bob, Hobbs, Cam, Buck, etc., and, of course, the more dignified Bobs, Toms, Franks, Harrys, Tulane, *ad infinitum*. They were great boys and some of them now hold the dignified titles of Doctor, Professor, President, Judge, but to me the old names still linger on.

Time creeps along and I have a good check on the minutes as they fly by, for did not the boys give me a gold watch in the days of '08? Well, it is still with me and a good watch even to-day. It is not necessary to have that timepiece to make me think of you, for often I have thought of the Brocks, the Whitings, the Winstons, the Egglestons, the Atkinsons, the Venables and the memories of those days will ever remain with me.

I wish that you would remember me to any of the old guard who might be in Farmville. I cannot think of many names, except Archie Wade, the Paullet boys and a few others. I would like to be down in the old place, for it surely must have changed greatly. It was a great town in my day and I reckon with such progressive people as were there when I was, the old town has now become a metropolis.

The enclosed picture will still show I am able to sit up and enjoy life, even though associating with the high brows.

Sincerely,

LEW RIESS.

Alumni Records

BRYAN, JOHN EDWARDS, B. A., 1915; student at Universities of Virginia, Columbia and Chicago.

Member of the faculty of Alabama Presbyterian College, 1916; Instructor at Du Bose School, Birmingham, Alabama, 1917, and at Central High School, Birmingham, Alabama, 1918; Principal of various schools in Birmingham, Alabama, 1918-1927; Superintendent of Schools, Bessemer, Alabama, since 1927; member of the faculty of the Summer School, Howard College, 1927; member of the faculty of the Summer School, University of Oregon, 1930; enlisted for service in the World War at Oglethorpe, Georgia, May 15, 1918; Headquarters Company, 51st Infantry, Sixth Division; served in America one month and twelve months in England, France, Germany, Army of Occupation. Married June 17, 1925, Memphis, Tennessee, Miss Gladys Kerr; two children—John E. Jr., and Frances.

Superintendent of Schools, Bessemer, Alabama. Address: 1708 Exeter Avenue, Bessemer, Alabama.

HENDERSON, CHARLES HENRY, 1918; M. D., Medical College of Virginia, 1928.

Held general Interneship, Memorial Hospital, Richmond, Virginia; resident surgeon, eye, ear, nose and throat, Memorial Hospital; special work in eye, ear, nose and throat, Manhattan Hospital, New York; associated with Dr. John McGuire, Bluefield, West Virginia. Married October 1, 1930, Washington, D. C., Miss Mary Chiles.

Physician (eye, ear, nose and throat), Norton, Virginia.

HODGSON, JAMES R. W., 1928; student at Chicago Technical College.

Foreman in Elasto Waterproofing Products Company, Chicago, Illinois.

Clerk and Foreman of Service Department, Jones and Laughlin Steel Corporation. Address: 1607 Davidson Street, Aliquippa, Pennsylvania.

MUNT, IRVING CHRISTIAN, JR., 1929. Born, Petersburg, Virginia, November 14, 1904.

Reporter, *Southside Virginia News;* Assistant Editor of same. Business Manager and Assistant Editor, Richmond Magazine, care of Richmond, Virginia, Chamber of Commerce.

Alumni Notes

Two of our recent graduates, W. S. Lacy, '29, and H. C. Bradshaw, '30, have recently broken into print as book reviewers. The former deals with Col. A. L. Conger's "The Rise of U. S. Grant," and he apparently feels that the book gives the general a coat of "whitewash" and over emphasizes "the pearly purity of Grant's motives." The latter goes deep into psychology and eugenics in giving a resumé of the contents of "Heathern Rage," by R. R. Smith, and approves the aim of the book which "is the production of a race of men and women properly and thoroughly coördinated in mind and body." Is the millennium at hand, we wonder!

Gordon Clarke, B. S., 1926, recently was appointed to the position of Traffic Superintendent, Richmond District, for the Chesapeake and Potomac Telephone Company of Virginia. Mr. Clarke previously held the position of Engineering Assistant, Richmond.

Mr. Clarke entered the service of the Telephone Company in 1926. In 1927, he became Traffic Inspector, Norfolk, and in 1928 he was appointed Traffic Superintendent, Alexandria. Later he was Engineering Assistant, Richmond.

On September 4, 1931, two of the Reveley brothers received degrees at the University of Virginia—D. R. Reveley, 1926, the degree of Master of Arts and William George Reveley, 1932, the degree of Bachelor of Science.

We regret that in the July issue of THE RECORD we made a misstatement in regard to L. B. Stephenson, Jr., '26. Mistaking the son for the father, we listed the former as a banker in Staunton, Virginia. The fact is that the son has taught in the Staunton Male Academy ever since he graduated at Hampden-Sydney. It is pleasant to report that L. B. Stephenson, Jr., was married August 10, 1931, to Miss Edna Moles, of White Hall, Illinois. They are keeping house at 720 Selma Boulevard, Staunton, Virginia.

The Union Seminary Review, Vol. XLII, No. 4, contains an interesting article by Dr. D. Maurice Allan, a resumé and criticism of "Fundamentals of Ethics," by W. M. Urban.

In the newspaper accounts of the opening exercises of the one hundred and forty-fourth meeting of the Synod of Virginia, Hampden-Sydney men were prominently mentioned. Dr. E. T. Thompson, 1914, was chosen moderator, with Rev. James E. Cook, 1892, as the only other minsterial nominee for the office. The retiring moderator, Dr. Charles R. Stribling, 1884, preached the opening sermon, and he had in the pulpit with him his old friends—Dr. James R. Graham, 1884, and Dr. F. T. McFaden, 1886. The Communion service was conducted by Dr. R. B. Grinnan, 1879, and Dr. William C. White, 1880. This is a group of gentlemen of whom any college would be proud.

The August issue of *The Defender,* a conservative religious organ published at Wichita, Kansas, referring to Hampden-Sydney's record in *Who's Who,* says of the College: "It has a sturdy Christian quality which religious parents will do well to investigate."

The newspapers have called attention to the passing of the ninety-sixth birthday of Col. E. M. Williamson, 1859, of Danville, Virginia. The Colonel was born in Charlotte County, Virginia, August 28, 1835; he served through the Civil War, much of the time as the personal aide of Colonel Hilary Jones, of the Ordnance Department. He has lived in Danville, Virginia, for more than fifty years, is an active business man, and is in his office every day. *The Danville Register* concludes a congratulatory editorial thus: "To this Virginia gentleman, adventurer of life, of honor, valor and achievement, *The Register* wishes many happy returns." THE RECORD extends congratulations and best wishes.

W. W. Barnwell, '25, and Mrs. Barnwell called recently to see the friends on The Hill. Mr. Barnwell is head of the Latin Department in the Fishburne Military Academy, Waynesboro, Virginia.

William J. Buchanan, '11, is Branch Manager of the Augusta Furniture Company, of Waynesboro, Virginia. The company deals in furniture, carpets, rugs and stoves.

Rev. Charles W. Browning, Jr., '26, of Wytheville, Virginia, has been called to the pastorate of the Graham Presbyterian Church, of Bluefield, West Virginia. It is thought he will accept.

Dr. E. T. Wellford, 1891, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church, of Newport News, on his summer vacation, cruised upon the broad Atlantic. His church, in his absence, was in part supplied by Dr. T. K. Young, 1908, of Memphis, Tennessee.

Some of our alumni in the ministry will winter at Mission Court in Richmond. Among these will be Dr. W. D. Reynolds, 1887, of Korea; Dr. James R. Graham, 1884, of China, and Rev. C. M. Chumbley, of the Home field. All these gentlemen will have their wives with them.

Dr. A. T. Finch, Commander of the Virginia Department of the American Legion, has appointed Prof. Freman H. Hart, of Hampden-Sydney, Department Historian for the coming year.

The Gravure Section of the *Richmond Times-Dispatch,* of August 9, 1931, carries an attractive scene. Mrs. Courtenay S. Welton is pictured admiring an Egyptian lotus blooming in the pool of her garden in Westmoreland Place. This garden won the first prize in the recent Henrico Garden Club contest. Mrs. Welton—wife of the distinguished architect, C. S. Welton, 1910—was, before her marriage, Miss Jessie F. Walraven, of Warrenton, Virginia.

Rev. T. K. Young, D. D., 1908, former pastor of the First Presbyterian Church, of Roanoke, Virginia, and now pastor of the Idlewild Presbyterian Church, of Memphis, Tennessee, spent a part of his vacation with his old friends in Roanoke.

Campbell Pancake, Jr., 1930, now a trusted employee of the Armstrong Cork Company, of Lancaster, Pennsylvania, in a letter to the Alumni Secretary, says in part: "I was particularly glad to see the attitude of the alumni in wishing to uphold the high standards of scholarship for which the College is so well known. I am certainly one hundred per cent. behind this action."

Royster Lyle, 1918, and George A. Lyle, 1921, spent part of the summer at Hampden-Sydney in the home of Mrs. H. P. Lacy. The former is a buyer for the R. J. Reynolds Tobacco Company; the latter is Professor of Mathematics in the United States Naval Academy, at Annapolis, Maryland.

Judge Carter D. Johnston, 1895, of the Philippine Islands, and Lewis D. Johnston, 1903, were recently guests of Hon. J. Taylor Thompson, of Farmville.

Thomas C. Bryan, '22, has succeeded Dr. W. J. McMillan as pastor of the Maryland Avenue Church in Baltimore, of which the latter has been pastor for nineteen years. Mr. Bryan is the son of the beloved Dr. J. A. Bryan, of Birmingham, Alabama, and brother of John Edward, '15, and Harry H., '25.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde R. De Haas and children have recently visited relatives in Farmville, Virginia. Their home is in Washington, D. C.

Dr. William C. Barger, 1925—who was connected with the Molokai Hawaiian branch of the Libby, McNeill & Libby Pineapple Company—has resigned his position as physician and surgeon of the company, and is returning to the States. His permanent address is Post Office Box 1453, Charleston, West Virginia. Before relinquisbing his duties on Molokai, he was appointed an insurance examiner for the Prudential Insurance Company and for the New England Mutual Insurance Company.

The Daily Clarion-Ledger, of Jackson, Mississippi, in the issue of August 11, 1931, speaks of a work of Robert S. Phifer, 1903, as follows, in part: "Mr. Robert S. Phifer has proved himself an artist worthy of fame through 'The American Ancestors of Isabella Glenn Phifer,' a book written and engraved by him in pen and ink and dedicated to his daughter. By request of admirers this work of art has been placed in the Hall of Fame in the new Capitol as a gem which can be appreciated only through careful study."

D. Pope Allen, 1925, will return to his work as teacher of Latin in the Academy on Long Island, where he was last year. He reports the work there as pleasant and the members of the faculty kind and congenial.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Whaley, 1921, a daughter, August 23, 1931. Her name is Helen Owen. "Pink," as we used to call him, has been for years principal of the high school at Victoria, Virginia.

John F. Montgomery and Miss Edith Mary Rothwell were married at Lewisburg, West Virginia, August 26, 1931.

Philip H. Ropp, 1930, will he a graduate student at Harvard this session. He received his M. A. degree at Columbia last session and is majoring in English.

Dr. A. W. McWhorter and his family spent a day or two on The Hill after the summer school at William and Mary closed. After a holiday of two weeks in South Carolina, he resumed his duties at the University of Tennessee where he teaches Latin and Roman Archæology.

R. H. Showalter, '28, stood his examination for licensure before Abingdon Presbytery in the early summer and has taken charge of the church at Hillsville, Virginia, and its outlying mission stations.

Rumor has it that Archibald A. Little, Jr., '25, M. D., of the University of Virginia, '30, will marry a fair practitioner from Pennsylvania—Dr. Moore.

F. F. Rennie, Jr., '15, President of the Virginia State Dairy Products Association, participated in the dedication of the new dairy house of the Virginia Polytechnic Institute.

Irvine Cabell Watkins, '23, a recent Master of Science in Geology at the University of Virginia, is offering his professional services to the public. We hope he may "strike oil" or some other valuable treasure in the bowels of Mother Earth.

We are sorry to report that Dr. J. B. Bittinger, '83, long an honored member of our Board of Trustees, and pastor of the Presbyterian Church at Gerrardstown, West Virginia, has resigned his pastorate on account of ill-health, his resignation to take effect after the fall meeting of Winchester Presbytery. The good doctor needs a rest. For twelve years he has preached three times on Sunday except on one Sunday a month and has always conducted a mid-week service, in addition to other pastoral duties.

Dr. Page O. Northington, B. A., '12, his wife and brother called at the president's office recently. The doctor was returning to New York where he is a specialist in diseases of the nose, ear and throat. He had been called to his old home in Mecklenburg by the death of his father, who succumbed to complications at the age of seventy-seven.

Howard C. Gilmer, Jr., '28, and Miss Mary Berkeley Cosby, of Lynchburg, Virginia, were married July 28, 1931, at "Pine Hill," the home of Mrs. John S. Wright, the bride's aunt, in Duxbury, Massachusetts.

Dr. and Mrs. John Hobart Reed, Jr., as reported by the *News-Leader,* left Richmond on August 7, 1931, for the Pacific Coast whence they will sail for China, where Dr. Reed, '24, will serve as a medical missionary in charge of the Presbyterian Hospital at Haichaw. We trust that these young people and their son, John H. Reed, III, may find conditions favorable for their work, and may be granted health and abundant success.

E. Rhodes Carpenter, '29, and Miss Mary Goodwin Pettit, of "Roselawn," Nelson County, Virginia, will be married in the early fall.

A charter has been obtained by the A. L. Lorraine Hardware Company, Incorporated, Capital $10,000.00, to conduct a general hardware merchandise business. A. L. Lorraine, '14, is president and R. E. Cabell is attorney.

Holcomb Robertson Crockett, '16, and Miss Coleen Whitehead, of Lynchburg, Virginia, were married last July.

In a long and interesting letter to President Eggleston, dated June 18, 1931, Rev. T. L. Harnsberger, '05, of our Southern Presbyterian mission in Taichow Ku, China, expresses appreciation of the April, 1931, issue of THE RECORD. "It was good reading and interesting," says he. He further refers to "three splendid boys coming along . . . expecting to enter Hampden-Sydney four or five years hence." We fear from his statement that the real solution of the Chinese problem has not been found and that the political outlook is not bright.

On June 21, 1931, the Presbyterian Church at Florence, Alabama, celebrated the fortieth anniversary of the ordination of its pastor, Dr. H. Tucker Graham. The ordination ceremony was performed forty years ago in Dr. Graham's father's old church in Winchester—the Kent Street, which no longer exists. A called meeting of Winchester Presbytery ordained the young minister as a missionary to Japan. It was an impressive occasion. Probably not more than three or four present at the time now survive, but the writer well remembers the great leaders of Winchester Presbytery who took part—Dr. Henry White, Dr. A. C. Hopkins and Dr. James R. Graham.

W. S. Hundley, '12, prominent man of Mecklenburg County, Virginia, reports the birth of a son—W. S., Jr.—born October 3, 1930.

C. Stuart Wheatley, '26, and Miss Joyce Freston, of Highland, New York, were married at Locust Valley, Long Island, April 25, 1931. They reside at Northport, New York, where the groom is on the Editorial staff of the Edward Thompson Law Book Publishing Company.

Since the last issue of THE RECORD a friend reports that Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Carden, of Philadelphia, have added to their treasures little Miss Nancy Hardy Carden, born in the spring.

The *Staunton* (Va.) *News-Leader,* of July 15, 1931, carried a long and interesting description of the celebration of the golden wedding of Dr. and Mrs. A. M. Fraser on the evening of July 14th. Mrs. Fraser was Miss Octavia Blanding, of Sumter, South Carolina, which is also Dr. Fraser's native town. They were married in Vaiden, Mississippi, July 14, 1881. Their three surviving children are Miss Margaret Fraser and D. D. Fraser, of Staunton, and Mrs. Freman Hart, of Hampden-Sydney, Virginia.

In the *Christian Observer* of July 15, 1931, Dr. F. T. McFaden is recorded as having officiated at eleven weddings in the recent past, May and June. This is doing pretty well for these "degenerate times."

Rev. P. B. Hill, D. D., pastor of the First Presbyterian Church of San Antonio, Texas, among his manifold duties, serves on the Board of Austin College, Sherman.

Dr. and Mrs. Felix B. Welton, '21, announce the arrival of Miss Lucy Summerville Welton on June 24, 1931, at Peiping, China, where the parents are located in medical missionary service.

The Board of Trustees of Davis and Elkins College at the last commencement conferred the degree of Doctor of Divinity upon Rev. F. M. Allen, '94, of Clarksville, Virginia.

It was mentioned in THE RECORD of July, 1931, that James W. Sinton, Jr., '09, had been made secretary of his powerful insurance company. The scripture saith: "When goods increase they increase that eat them." As verification of this, we note the birth of a daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Sinton in May, last.

Dr. Herman Bell and Miss Florence Crallé, of Farmville, were married at the home of the bride's mother at high noon, July 2, 1931. The officiating clergymen were Rev. J. A. Redhead and Rev. Andrew Allan. The newlyweds spent their honeymoon in Europe.

William D. Dickinson, Jr., '30, is in the employ of the government at the Aberdeen Proving Ground at Aberdeen, Maryland.

Many friends will he sorry to hear of the serious illness of Dr. W. J. King, long pastor of College Church. He was called to Canada about July 1st by the illness and death of his sister. While there he was striken with paralysis of the entire right side.

Since leaving Hampden-Sydney he has held pastorates at Gerrardstown, West Virginia, and at Leesburg and Belle Haven, Virginia.

Louis Bell Stephenson, Jr., '26, and Miss Edna Moles were married August 10, 1931, at White Hall, Illinois. They will make their home in Staunton, Virginia.

Kenner T. Crawley, '88, formerly Industrial Commissioner of the Chesapeake and Ohio Railway, has been appointed special representative of the Development Department of the road with headquarters in Richmond, Virginia.

Lorraine Saunders, '23, has been chosen business manager of *The Union Seminary Review*—a responsible and arduous position.

Edward D. Junkin, '86, whose address is 2622 Wichita Street, Austin, Texas, reports as follows in regard to T. Stanhope Henry, '87: "I recently called on Mr. Henry and find him one of the 'Board of Pardons,' State Capitol, Austin, Texas. He is 'O. K.' and highly regarded."

Booker Carter and Miss Anna Ethel Bohannon were married at Saint Paul's Church, Surry, Virginia, on August 22, 1931.

Hubert G. Clark, '11, Manager of the *Williamson* (W. Va.) *Daily News*, has been active in the effort to induce young men of the proper type to enter Hampden-Sydney. We appreciate his zeal and commend to others his example as worthy of imitation.

Frank C. Bedinger, '05, was nominated on August 4th for Commonwealth's Attorney of Mecklenburg County, Virginia, by a very substantial majority. For years he has been one of the leading lawyers at Boydton, Virginia.

Langhorne R. Jones, '22, of Chatham, Virginia, was nominated in the Democratic Primary, August 4, 1931, as one of the candidates for the General Assembly of Virginia to represent Pittsylvania County and the City of Danville. Nomination is equivalent to election in this case.

S. Taylor Martin, '31, will be employed as instructor and athletic director in the Farmville, Virginia, High School for the session 1931-32.

The surviving children of Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Hamlett recently held a family reunion at the old home near Hampden-Sydney. The sons present were John C., '95; Samuel H., '96; Coleman O., '97; P. W., '03 (missionary in China); Dr. H. R., '12, and Professor P. L., '12. This was a group of Hampden-Sydney boys!

Dr. Frank D. Costenbader, '25, of Norfolk, Virginia, and Miss Mary Y. Barner, of Dinwiddie County, Virginia, were married at the home of the bride on August 8, 1931. Dr. Costenbader graduated in medicine at the University of Virginia and is located at the Episcopal Hospital, Washington, D. C.

Rev. William B. McIlwaine, D. D., '05, for ten years pastor of the Westminster Presbyterian Church, of Charlotte, North Carolina, has accepted a call to the old Presbyterian Church of Alexandria, Virginia, one of the oldest Presbyterian organizations of the United States, the church of John Carlyle and his like.

The two brothers, Frank H. Mann, '03, and Hunter Mann, '05, visited a few of their old friends in the College community during the summer. The former is a bank president in New York; the latter, home on a furlough from China, where he represents a tobacco company.

At the Southside Community Hospital, Farmville, Virginia, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Norman Leslie Ramsey, '24, of Madisonville, Virginia, a son, August 12, 1931.

The Executive Committee of Foreign Missions announces the departure of Dr. and Mrs. John H. Reed, '24, on August 15, 1931, for medical mission work in the Orient, and on September 3d, Rev. and Mrs. Harry H. Bryan, '25, sailed for Japan on the *Asama Maru*.

Henry Thompson Holladay, '22, Headmaster of the St. Paul's School for Boys in Baltimore, and E. Harvey Stover, '26, of Atlanta, Georgia, adjuster for the Aetna Fire Insurance Company, of Hartford, Connecticut, recently paid a short visit to The Hill.

Hastings Hawkes, '01, is now Dean of the School of Business Administration, Auditing, Economics of Becker College, Worcester, Massachusetts. This institution is a union of Becker College, founded in 1887, and Post Institute, established 1899. Business Administration and Secretarial Science are the "major" offerings of this College in which Alumnus Hawkes is now the efficient Dean.

Rev. Merritt Dewey Newton, '21, A. M., Th. D., of Princeton, with his wife (née Nannie Wilson Moore), young son and "inlaws," made a brief visit to The Hill in August. Mr. Newton is pastor of the Presbyterian Church at Hemp, North Carolina.

William B. Knight, '90, recently made a brief visit to The Hill, while at "Poplar Hill," the residence of his sister, Mrs. W. G. Dunnington. He is the son of Mr. John H. Knight, first honor man of the Class of 1848; he is brother of the late General John T. Knight, U. S. A., 1880, and he is uncle of all the "Dunnington boys." A civil engineer, Mr. Knight has long been connected with the New York Central system and now has headquarters in Boston, Massachusetts.

A news item from the Mossy Creek Church reports that at a recent meeting Rev. William C. White, D. D., '80, preached five times in twenty-five consecutive hours. "Every other Sunday he preaches four times in his own field, and the alternate Sundays has three appointments regularly."

Hunter J. Phlegar, '06, recently called on the officers of the College for the purpose of entering his nephew as a student. He looked well and seemed to be enjoying life. He is a lawyer in Christiansburg, Virginia, his native town.

Douglas Alonzo Clark, '30, was married in Washington, D. C., to Miss Catherine Lillian Foley, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Foley, Washington, on Wednesday, August, 19, 1931.

E. Lawrence Dupuy, '16, enters upon his new duties as Principal of the Consolidated High School at Volens, Halifax County, Virginia, this session. He will have a brand new building and likewise be in charge of an innovation in the division of which Superintendent Hal J. Watkins, '69, is superientendent. He will have as one of his assistants W. S. Adkisson, '29. Mr. Dupuy has made a fine record as a teacher, athletic coach and school administrator and his many friends believe he will be highly successful in his new work.

Necrology

In Volume V, No. 4, Page 16 of THE RECORD, we noticed briefly the death of Dr. J. N. Barney, '88. We add by way of supplement a quotation from the *Richmond* (Va.) *News-Leader* of May 2, 1931. "In every list of the dozen men and women who have meant most to Fredericksburg during the last twenty years, the name of Dr. J. N. Barney would assuredly be included. In nearly everything that pertained to the welfare of Fredericksburg he was interested and faithful. The blood of his valiant sea-faring ancestors did not run pale in his veins. Their sense of duty was his."

One of the links that connected Hampden-Sydney with the past has been broken. On August 11, 1931, Mrs. Sarah Venable Painter was buried in Albemarle County, Virginia. She was the daughter of Hon. William Cabell Flournoy, 1830, a gifted attorney of Prince Edward County, Virginia, and Mrs. Martha Venable Flournoy. Mrs. Painter was the widow of Rev. J. C. Painter, '69, and was the mother of Henry L. Painter, '11. She is survived by four sons and one daughter.

Mr. J. Wilmer Benjamin, Sr., aged fifty-five years, died at Harpers Ferry, West Virginia, August 29, 1931. Mr. Benjamin was the father of Captain J. Wilmer Benjamin, Jr., '24, of the Greenbrier Military School, Lewisburg, West Virginia. Mr. Benjamin's widow was Miss Irene McFaden, sister of our Ex-Trustee, Dr. F. T. McFaden, of Winchester, Virginia.

The Post Office at Frenele Camp, Mississippi, reports that James A. Sanderson, '74, is dead. No dates or details are given.

Mr. Charles W. Warren, of Smithfield, Virginia, father of Walker Pegram Warren, '07, met his death in an automobile accident in Bedford County, Virginia. He died in the Jefferson Hospital Roanoke, August 7, 1931. Mrs. Warren was also severely injured. Mr. Warren was the owner of the famous "Bacon's Castle," which was his home for many years.

DeWitt Clinton Collins, '04, died in Lexington, Kentucky, May 31, 1931.

Nathaniel Laton Bronaugh, '78, died at his home in Nicholasville, Kentucky, August 2, 1931, after an illness of several weeks. He had been president of the First National Bank of Nicholasville for many years, was master commissioner of Jessamine County, Kentucky, and was a prominent lawyer, his son Robert L. Bronaugh being associated with him in practice. Besides his son, he is survived by his wife, Mrs. Margaret L. Bronaugh, and by a daughter, Louise. He was born April 17, 1857; after leaving Hampden-Sydney he studied law at the University of Virginia. In College he was a member of the Phi Gamma Delta Fraternity.

William Edgar Thomas, '82, died suddenly in May, 1931, at the home of his brother-in-law in Cape Charles, Virginia. For many years he had made his home in Newport News, and his life had been one of useful service. He was buried in Holmes Churchyard in Accomac County, Virginia, the services being conducted by his pastor, Rev. E. T. Wellford, D. D., '91, assisted by Dr. John R. Rosebro, '94. (Information given by Thomas H. Downes.)

Mrs. Esther Lewis McCormick, wife of Hon. Samuel McCormick, '68, died at her home in Berryville, Virginia, July 28, 1931. Mrs. McCormick was a great-granddaughter of Nellie Custis and was a granddaughter of the Hon. Reverdy Johnson, of Maryland. She is survived by her husband, a daughter and a son.

Dr. Alexander L. Hodgden, '82, graduate of the University of Maryland Medical School in 1888, died at his home, "Dana-on-the Patuxent," near Leonardtown, Maryland, August 5, 1931. At different times he had been instructor in the College of Physicians and Surgeons, Baltimore, and a member of the faculty of the Maryland Medical College. He was a member of the Virginia Medical Society, of the Clinical Society of Baltimore, of the Medical and Chirurgical Faculty of Maryland, and of the American Medical Society. He was also noted as a botanist. He is survived by his wife and his son, Anderson D. Hodgden, who is the head of one of the bureaus of the Department of State in Washington. Dr. Hodgden was buried in the cemetery at St. Mary's City.

Dabney Carr Harrison, '78, was found dead at his home near Winchester, Virginia, July 9, 1931. He was born in Martinsburg, Virginia, (now West Virginia) in 1859, son of Rev. Dabney C. and Sallie Buchanan Harrison. After his graduation he taught for a time in a mission school for the Choctaw Indians in Indian Territory. Then he entered the government service and for years was connected with the Geological Survey and Bureau of Forestry. The latter years of his life he was a fruit grower and poultry raiser in Clarke and Frederick Counties, Virginia. He married Miss Ellen R. Riley, of Washington, D. C. Of their two sons, Dabney C. Harrison, Jr., is living; the elder, William R. Harrison—a young man of great promise—died suddenly several years ago at Augusta Military Academy where he was instructor and athletic director. Few men surpassed "Old Cuff" in physical vigor, in mental alertness and sincerity of purpose.

Dr. Eugene Rufus Long, Professor of Philosophy and Psychology at Hampden-Sydney College during the session 1916-17, died at Batesville, Arkansas, June 29, 1931. Most of his adult life he was connected with Arkansas College, sometimes as professor, at other times as vice president and president. He had for brief periods held professorships at Southwestern Presbyterian University, at Austin College and at Hampden-Sydney. He is remembered here as a good teacher, a kindly companion and a devout Christian.

Colonel Charles W. Watts, head of the Department of Mathematics at the Virginia Military Institute, died at the home of his sister, Mrs. Thomas E. Nash, in Portsmouth, Virginia, July 9, 1931. Colonel Watts was the father of our young friend, Wilder Watts, graduate of the Class of '31, to whom the editors of THE RECORD wish to express sincere and heart-felt sympathy.

Rev. A. G. Link, D. D., '86, died suddenly at the Rex Hospital, Raleigh, North Carolina, June 20, 1931. He had gone to the hospital the day before for observation and had been actively engaged about his work until twenty-four hours before his death. Dr. Link was born at Duffields, Jefferson County, West Virginia, in 1863, and had been a minister in the Presbyterian Church for forty-two years, having held pastorates in Strasburg, Virginia, in Campbellsville, Kentucky, in Smyrna and Nashville, Tennessee. For the last few years of his life he had lived in Raleigh, North Carolina, Superintendent of Home Missions of Granville Presbytery. His wife was Miss Grace Wallace, of Middletown, Virginia, who survives him with four sons and two daughters. He was buried in Riverview Cemetery in Strasburg, Virginia.

James Archer Dunkum, '83, died at his home in Marlin, Texas, at 4:30 o'clock, Monday, September 14th. In declining health for more than a year, Mr. Dunkum's condition had gradually grown weaker and the end was not unexpected.

Our friend was born at Farmville, Virginia, June, 1858. He graduated at Hampden-Sydney in 1883 and the next year went to Lampasas, Texas, where he engaged in the wholesale grocery business. After a brief residence there, he moved to Falls County of that State. After teaching school on Blue Ridge he moved to Marlin, Texas, where he had been elected Superintendent of Schools. After a number years' service in the schools, he entered the business world, accepting a responsible position with Levy Brothers, brokers, of Marlin. He remained with this firm until the organization of the First State Bank of Marlin in 1908. He was made Active Vice President of this institution, a post he held until his death. His interest continued in the city's school and he was elected to the Board of Trustees of Marlin's public schools and served in this capacity for many years. Mr. Dunkum was actively identified with the business life of the community which inevitably linked his interests with the agricultural development of his section. He gave much thought and study to that subject.

He was an active member of the First Presbyterian Church and at the time of his death was Chairman of its Board of Deacons.

He was married in 1888 to Miss Mattie A. Garrett, member of a well-known Falls County family. She and the following children survive him: Miss Mary Louise Dunkum and W. G. Dunkum, of Marlin. There are two grandchildren and a sister, Miss Jennie Dunkum, of Worsham, Virginia. Hugh Dunkum, of Worsham, known affectionately to the younger alumni and the college boys as "Boss," is his nephew.

From the Secretary's Office

Home-Coming

THE HOME-COMING date this year is *SATURDAY October 24th.* The *FEATURES* of the day are as follows:

1. A GET-TOGETHER of students, faculty and alumni in McIlwaine Hall at 11:30 o'clock.
2. Dinner (Hampden-Sydney style!) in College Dining Hall, 12:30.
3. Game in DEATH VALLEY with Roanoke College Maroons, 3 P. M.
4. German Club dance in the Comity Club, 9 P. M.

Alumni will *PLEASE* do this:

Notify the Alumni Secretary if reservations are desired in Farmville at the hotels.

Notify the Alumni Secretary if you can be here in time for dinner on Saturday. Alumni are cordially invited to be the guests of the College at this time.

Students and Alumni Have a Party

(*The below was reported by "Andy" Ingles,'31*)

During an evening of the Young Peoples Conference, held at Massanetta in July, twenty and more alumni, students and prospective students, gathered in the Spring House near the Hotel for a "Tiger Celebration". Five or six watermelons provided the "first thing on the program". Later in the evening, Dr. E. G. Gammon, pastor of the Myers Park Presbyterian Church, Charlotte, N. C., delighted the group with his college day reminiscences. (Dr. Gammon was a great athlete and actor in his Tiger days and then later went to the Texas border to do home-mission work in that interesting country. He was called from there to College Church where he did splendid work for seven years, at the end of that time accepting a call to Selma, Ala.) The alumni attending included: Rev. H. J. Dudley, "Piggie Hogshead", Rev. J. S. Duckwall, Marvin N. Suter, Rev. E. T. Thompson, James Crinkley,

Herbert Trotter, Andy Ingles, Tom Curry and "Puss" Irving. Students: Rock Boyle, Eddie and James Hemphill, Marshall Hayden and James Sydnor. Of the "prospectives" "Buck" Ale, Woodrow Wilson Mackey, Ellsworth Arndoff, Waynes Parks, Ronald Weade. The "old" alumni were greatly pleased with the new song, "Fight On, Hampden-Sydney!" They added their voices in some of the older numbers.

SOME ALUMNI WHO HAVE DROPPED BY DURING THE SUMMER AND AT THE OPENING OF COLLEGE

C. W. McDanald, '25, Charleston, W. Va.
C. S. Wheatley, '26, Northport, N. Y.
Royster Lyle, '17, Winston-Salem, N. C.
George A. Lyle, '21, Annapolis, Md.
Charles B. Saunders, '12, Southboro, Mass.
Charles R. Bugg, '16, and Mrs. Bugg and son, Raleigh, N. C.
Thomas F. Pumphrey, '30, Richmond, Va.
E. H. McLaughlin, '30, Richmond, Va.
J. K. Irving, Jr., '03, Charlottesville, Va.
A. C. Hopkins, '88, Charlotte Court House, Va.
Robert F. Hutcheson, '98, Charlotte Court House, Va.
R. T. Hubard, '97, Fayetteville, W. Va.
Alexander Hudgins, '28, Richmond, Va.
Michaux Raine, '00, Richmond, Va.
Allen Raine, '28, Richmond, Va.
Archer A. Wilson, '17, and Mrs. Wilson, Richmond, Va.
Harry Baumgardner, '10, Lynchburg, Va.
Alexander Martin, '01, and Mrs. Martin and daughters, Columbia, S. C.
Page Northington, '12, and Mrs. Northington, New York City.
F. F. Jones, Jr., '30, Craigsville, Va.
J. N. Ambler, '87, and Mrs. Ambler, Richmond, Va.
Carter Johnston, '95, Philippine Islands.
Lewis D. Johnston, '03, South Boston, Va.
Frank Bedinger, '05, Boydton, Va.
Henry McLaughlin, Jr., '29, Lynchburg, Va.
H. H. Coleman, '25, Lynchburg, Va.
Welford Reed, '31, Richmond, Va.
W. W. Jefferson, Jr., '31, Culpeper, Va.
Robert W. Lawson, '30, Alexandria, Va.
E. L. Dupuy, Jr., '16, Nathalie, Va.
W. C. Finch, '29, New York City.
Hunter Phlegar, '06, Christiansburg, Va.
Dabney Jarman, '27, University of Virginia, Charlottesville, Va.
Hugh P. McClintic, '97, McIntosh, Fla.
Lee Chambliss, '08, and Mrs. Chambliss, Rawlings, Va.
Garnett Davis, '29, Max Meadows, Va.
B. W. Marshall, '29, Madisonville, Va.
W. R. Martin, '02, Charlotte Court House, Va.
E. P. McGavock, '89, Richmond, Va.
David Sanders, '31, Max Meadows, Va.
E. R. Elliott, '28, Philadelphia, Penn.
W. W. Elliott, '18, Durham, N. C.
Ralph Willis, '30, Fort Defiance, Va.
William A. Johns, '30, University of Virginia, Charlottesville, Va.
W. W. Moore, '05, Dillwyn, Va.
Hunter Garrett, '13, Cobbs Creek, Va.
H. A. Glenn, '21, Kenbridge, Va.
J. F. Morton, '98, Charlotte Court House, Va.
Lee W. Morton, '86, Keysville, Va.
Lee W. Morton, Jr., '19, Smithfield, Va.
Don P. Halsey, '92, and Mrs. Halsey, Lynchburg, Va.
Harry R. Hamlett, '10, Blackstone, Va.
P. L. Hamlett, '12, Erlanger, Ky.
John J. Coleman, '22, Nelly's Ford, Va.
R. B. Crallé, Jr., '23, Richmond, Va.
James Crinkley, '29, Blackstone, Va.
Frank Mann, '04, and Mrs. Mann, New York City.
Hunter Mann, '05, and son, New York City.
John Martin, '03, Halifax, Va.
A. B. Dickinson, '89, Richmond, Va.
W. D. Sloan, '31, Lonaconing, Md.
Marshall Wilson, '31, Duke University, Durham, N. C.
Hiram Reeves, '25, Pamplin, Va.
Wallace Blanton, '12, and Mrs. Blanton, Richmond, Va.
Copeland Adams, '31, Blackstone, Va.
W. S. Adkisson, '29, Clover, Va.
W. W. Martin, '09, and Mrs. Martin, Richmond, Va.
J. M. Robeson, '96, Lynchburg, Va.
Frank Johns, '08, Richmond, Va.
Philip Ropp, '30, Harvard University, Cambridge, Mass.
E. G. Gammon, '05, and Mrs. Gammon and sons, Charlotte, N. C.
H. G. Allen, '18, and Mrs. Allen, Lewisburg, W. Va.
C. A. Anderson, '08, Richmond, Va.
O. E. Snell, '07, Phenix, Va.
J. P. Atkinson, '20, Champe, Va.
William F. Spotswood, '94, Petersburg, Va.
John Duckwall, '22, Greenfield, Va.
M. P. Strickler, '27, Murat, Va.
W. W. Barnwell, '25, and Mrs. Barnwell, Waynesboro, Va.
J. M. Stratton, '09, Lewisburg, W. Va.
James R. Graham, '84, Tsing-Kiang-pu, China.
Robert Bugg, '20, Richmond, Va.
J. S. Caldwell, '28, Fishersville, Va.
C. H. Carson, '30, Vera, Va.
S. B. Carter, '29, Martinsville, Va.
J. B. Henneman, '20, New York City.
Elam C. Toone, '29, Richmond, Va.
W. O. Tune, '09, Brookneal, Va.
Richard Henneman, '29, University, Va.
E. J. Agsten, '31, Union Theological Seminary, Richmond, Va.
John McC. Wade, '29, Brownsburg, Va.
L. L. Price, '31, Union Theological Seminary, Richmond, Va.
Elijah Baker, III, '31, Washington, D. C.
C. A. Barrell, '31, University of Virginia, Charlottesville, Va.
E. B. Craddock, '31, Harvard University, Cambridge, Mass.
C. L. Arehart, '31, Union Theological Seminary, Richmond, Va.
John Hamlet, '31, Phenix, Va.
A. L. Ingles, '31, Radford, Va.
S. T. Martin, III, '31, Clinton, S. C.
Alpheus Potts, '31, Union Theological Seminary, Richmond, Va.
C. H. Robertson, '31, Richmond, Va.
Holmes Thomas, '31, Harvard University, Cambridge, Mass.
Herbert Trotter, '31, University of Virginia, Charlottesville, Va.
T. S. Baskerville, Jr., '28, Blue Ridge, Va.
Royston Jester, Jr., '07, Lynchburg, Va.
L. C. Benedict, '14, Paterson, N. J.
E. G. Stokes, '03, Kenbridge, Va.
H. L. Blanton, '29, Victoria, Va.
H. C. Bradshaw, '30, Richmond, Va.
James W. Bouldin, '98, Charlottesville, Va.
P. W. Hamlett, '03, Wusih, China.
Horace Lyle, '29, Washington, D. C.
A. W. McWhorter and Mrs. McWhorter and children, Knoxville, Tenn.
Peter Saunders, '12, Richmond, Va.
T. C. Cook, '30, Salisbury, N. C.
L. C. Whaley, '21, and Mrs. Whaley and son, Victoria, Va.
Joel Watkins, '22, Hastings-on-Hudson, N. Y.
T. C. Bowen, '97, Tazewell, Va.
Bird Talbot, '31, Louisville, Ky.
Ludwell A. Strader, '29, Lynchburg, Va.
Lorraine Sanders, '23, Richmond, Va.
J. Wesley Dixon, '00, Rocky Mount, Va.
F. W. Phillips, '33, Lewisburg, W. Va.
W. B. Knight, '90, Boston, Mass.

MASSANETTA-MONTREAT

Dr. Eggleston and the Alumni Secretary had the pleasure of meeting the following alumni at Massanetta on the Conference Grounds this summer:

Douglas Amick, '16, Newport, Tenn.
W. C. White, '80, Churchville, Va.
Vance McClure, '20, Greenville, Va.
Marvin Suter, '18, Bridgewater, Va.
Frank Brooke, '11, Charleston, W. Va.
Cecil Brown, '22, Elizabeth City, N. C.
Robert Lucke, '08, Parsons, W. Va.
J. E. Cook, '93, Hopewell, Va.
Wright Denny, '88, Charles-Town, W. Va.
G. G. Sydnor, '87, Charles-Town, W. Va.
W. L. Foley, '17, St. Paul, N. C.
Frank Hartman, '89, Staunton, Va.
T. A. Kirk, '98, Roanoke, Va.
C. R. Lacy, '98, Mt. Clinton, Va.
Watkins Lacy, '92, Oxford, N. C.
R. Gamble See, '99, Floyd, Va.
R. Gamble See, Jr., '31, Floyd, Va.

And at Montreat:

Ashlin White, '87, Mooresville, N. C.
A. D. P. Gilmour, '97, Wilmington, N. C.
J. Gray McAllister, '94, Richmond, Va.
J. Gray McAllister, Jr., '30, Duke University, Durham, N. C.
Goodridge Wilson, Jr., '06, Marion, Va.
R. C. Anderson, '87, Montreat, N. C.
Cary Adams, '21, Wilmington, N. C.

DISTRIBUTION OF THE GRADUATES OF THE CLASS OF 1931

By WELLFORD CLAIBORNE REED, *Life-Secretary of the Class of 1931*

Edward J. Agsten, Union Theological Seminary, Richmond, Va.
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Elijah Baker, III, School of Diplomacy, George Washington University.
Charles A. Barrell, University of Virginia, Charlottesville, Va.
Stewart Bell, Jr., Winchester, Va.
Winston N. Bloch, Medical School, Harvard University, Cambridge, Mass.
George S. Bowers, Medical School, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill.
Edmund B. Buckalew, Jr., 153 Institute Place, Chicago, Ill.
Joel A. Clark, New Canton, Va.
Ernest B. Craddock, School of Business Administration, Harvard University, Cambridge, Mass.
Samuel F. Curling, Norfolk, Va.
Robert C. Derbyshire, Lexington, Va.
John M. Hamlet, Jr., Teaching at Charlotte Court House, Va.
Harry A. Hulvey, Teaching in Augusta County, Va.

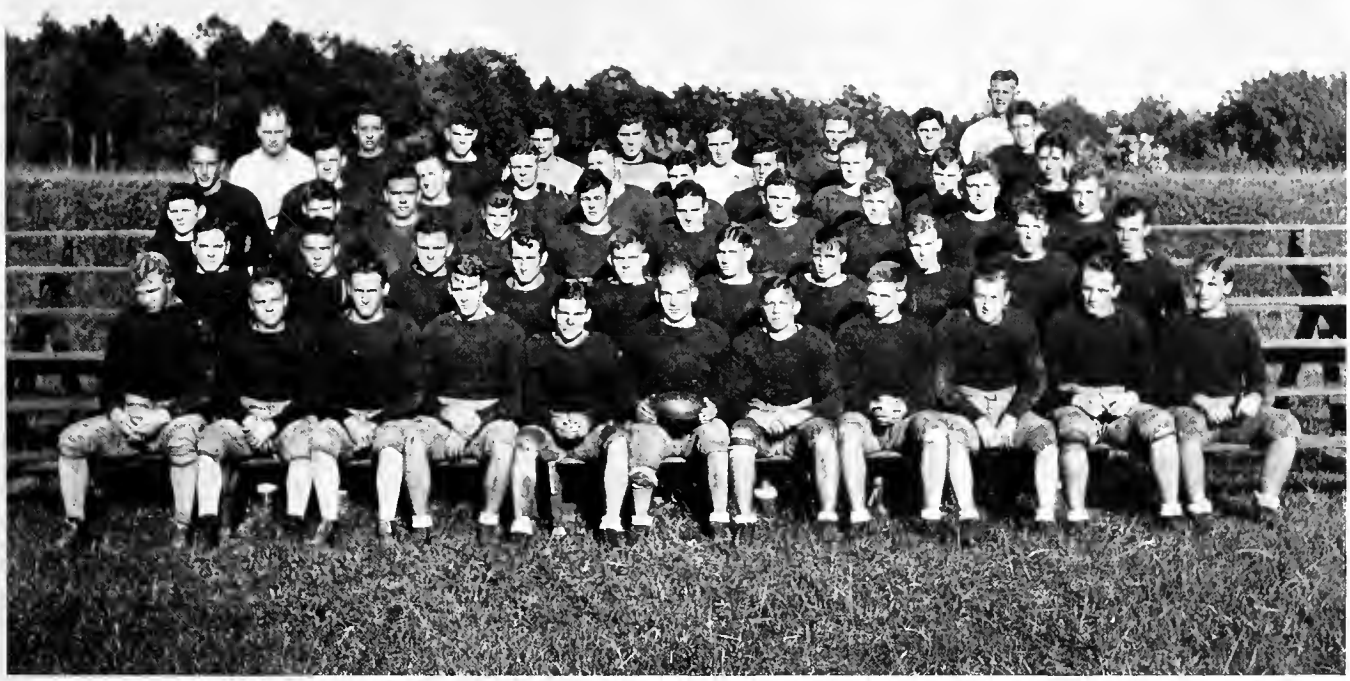
John M. Hunt, Teaching at Lawrenceville, Va.
Andrew L. Ingles, Teaching at Belspring, Va.
W. W. Jefferson, Jr., Teaching at Culpeper, Va.
Samuel F. McClure, Jr., Spottswood, Va.
Stephen Taylor Martin, III, Teaching at Farmville, Va.
Alpheus W. Potts, Union Theological Seminary, Richmond, Va.
Luther L. Price, Union Theological Seminary, Richmond, Va.
Henry A. Prillaman, Teaching at Boone Mill, Va.
S. Macon Reed, Jr., Hampden-Sydney, Va.
Wellford C. Reed, Medical College of Virginia, Richmond, Va.
Charles H. Robertson, Albemarle Paper Mfg. Co., Richmond, Va.
John R. Saunders, Jr., Medical College of Virginia, Richmond, Va.
Robert Gamble See, Jr., Teaching in Mission School, Willis, Va.
John W. Sherman, Union Theological Seminary, Richmond, Va.
William D. Sloan, School of Business Administration, Harvard University, Cambridge, Mass.
George Bird Talbot, Presbyterian Theological Seminary, Louisville, Ky.
Douglas G. Thomas, Pomologist, Martinsburg, W. Va.
J. Holmes Thomas, Harvard University, Cambridge, Mass.
John Edward Traynham, Jr., Congressional Library, Washington, D. C.
Herbert Trotter, Jr., Graduate School, University, Va.
C. Wilder Watts, Jr., Graduate School, Johns Hopkins University.
R. Marshall Wilson, Duke University, Durham, N. C.
Thornton R. Wilson, Teaching at Spout Spring, Va.

Athletics

By CHARLES A. BERNIER, *Athletic Director*

AS THE interest of our alumni, from the athletic standpoint, is centered in the kind of football team we are to have this fall, we are glad to report that the eleven will very probably be stronger than our 1930 edition. Poundage will not be greater, but speed and experience are more in evidence. This is written just before our game with V. M. I., in Lexington, and we notice that there are eight seniors—Captain Powell, Garden, Franklin, Hogan, Toone, Bradford, Crawley, J. and Harwood—in the starting lineup. Billy Spotswood, of Petersburg (following, by the by, in his Dad's cleat-prints, left here in the span, '90–'94) is the single sophomore and the other two starters are Lawson and Nottingham—juniors. Most of the replacements are drawn from the sophomore class, with a sprinkling of seniors and juniors. Among the reserves are McLaughlin, Peach, Bruner, Crawley, K., Moore, W., Humphries, M., Krupka, Wall, Ritz, Withrow, Hancock, Poole, Edmunds, Dingwall, Critzer, Talbot, Jennings, Crawford and Finley. Charles F. Friedman, of Charleston, West Virginia, is the Manager.

While freshmen cannot be used in games with Southern Conference teams—thereby barring them from our first two games, V. M. I. and Washington and Lee— by a new ruling of our Virginia Conference, of which Hampden-Sydney is a member, first-year men may be used in other games. It is too early to say just how our new material will pan out, but we believe there are some "golden nuggets" among the forty candidates who came down to Death Valley after the opening of the regular session. There do not seem to be many big fellows, but backfield material of the speedy variety is in evidence. Among the linemen are Walker and Wright, from Petersburg High School; Rucker, Danville Military Institute; the two "White Brothers" and Hervey, from Chase City High School; Young, Memphis High (son of Tom Young, star tackle '06–'08); Lipscomb, St. Christophers; Reed, Greenbrier Military School; McGuire, Lewisburg High; Alexander, Charleston, W. Va.; Oliver, Worsham High School (son of "B. S."; brother of Bernard, '16). Some of the backfield candidates include: Hardaway and Daughtrey, of Danville Military Institute; Dickhoff



The Tiger Football Squad of 1931

and Williams, of Worsham High; Massey, of Farmville High (son of our teacher of the Bible, Dr. J. B. Massey); Thomas and Merrey, of Augusta Military Acadamy; Humphries, of Culpeper High; Ferry, of St. Christopher's; Fitzgerald, of Charleston, W. Va., McKim, of Cincinnati; Roberts of Chase City.

It is our policy not to push immature material too rapidly, but we plan to use some of the more experienced players among the frosh for part-time play in the Conference games.

"Billy" Powell, of Richmond, Va., leads the Tigers this fall. Before entering Hampden-Sydney, Powell played for three years at center on the John Marshall High School. This year sees him completing a similar period in Death Valley and at the same pivotal position. Billy is a splendid fighter from whistle to whistle, shining brightest when the opposition is strongest and asking only that his teammates give every ounce in crushing the "enemy" and "bringing home the bacon". Although he weighs just 160, his play, especially on the defense, amounts to the performance of a big and powerful lineman. In this respect, he reminds us of the famous "Dicky" Dudley, who preceded Captain Powell at John Marshall and later was Captain of the Tigers and All-Virginia center for two seasons.

The Tigers play the following nine-game schedule:

September 19—Virginia Military Institute, Lexington.
September 26—Washington and Lee, Lynchburg.
October 3— Bridgewater, Hampden-Sydney.
October 10—American University, Hampden-Sydney.
October 17—Randolph-Macon, Ashland.
October 24—Roanoke, Hampden-Sydney (Home-Coming).
October 31—St. Johns, Annapolis.
November 7—Lynchburg, Lynchburg.
November 14—Richmond University, Richmond.